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COMMENT OF THE DAY

BRITAIN'S TRADE

THERE is no doubt that Britain's overseas trade has been going extraordinarily well during the past few months despite the setback in April. Its exports in the first quarter of the year averaged 25 million less than in the first quarter of 1957 when the normal flow of trade was upset by the blocking of the Suez Canal, but imports averaged 442 million a month less. The gap between imports and exports narrowed to only 224 million a month at the beginning of 1958 and if account is taken of the fact that the import figures include not only the cost of the goods but a sizable amount for the cost of shipping and insuring them it seems virtually certain that Britain is at present exporting more than she imports and earning a foreign exchange surplus on her visible trade alone.

Exchange

FOR a country which normally depends on services to provide a large part of her foreign exchange income, this is a remarkable achievement. The chief thing that has made this possible, of course, is the dramatic improvement in Britain's terms of trade. The cost of the foodstuffs and raw materials she imports has fallen sharply, while prices for her exports of manufactured goods have so far held up well. The terms of trade, though still a good deal less favourable than they were in the years before the war, are now more in Britain's favour than they have been since 1948.

Part of the fall in raw material prices can be put down to the recent increase in the world's capacity for producing them, part to the fall in demand for them associated with the United States business recession.

Surplus

PART is, in fact, permanent and temporary. But however prices may move in the future, they are at present making it possible for Britain to earn a very handsome surplus with its trading account with the rest of the world. The only effect so far of the world trade recession on Britain's position has been to strengthen it and part of the strengthening is where it might have been least expected — in dealings with dollar countries. Circumstances might change, of course. If the world recession deepens, British exporters may find it difficult to maintain their sales — though import prices would then tend to fall further and the trade balance might not suffer. If the recession lifts, prices may rise a little and the costs of imports increase — though it should then be possible for the volume of exports to begin growing again.

Conceivable

IT is conceivable that the trade balance will not remain at its present exceptionally good level for the rest of the year, but there seems to be only two things that would cause it to worsen sharply or quickly. The first would be a domestic business recession so severe as to make the balance of payments a matter of secondary importance; this is a possibility which it would be foolish to ignore altogether, but it still looks an extremely remote one. The second would be a premature relaxation of restrictions which would encourage a rise in imports and diverted exports from foreign to home market. The Chancellor made it plain in his budget speech that the Government could see no good immediate reason for relaxation and Britain's excellent trading position seems fully to justify this attitude.

PFLIMLIN MOVES QUICKLY

National Assembly To Meet In Crisis Session Today

EMERGENCY POWERS WANTED

Paris, May 15. M. Pierre Pflimlin, the new French Prime Minister, in a dramatic midnight announcement today demanded emergency powers to meet the Algerian crisis, following General Charles De Gaulle's offer to take over. He said he would ask the National Assembly, called for a crisis session early tomorrow to declare a state of emergency in metropolitan France, which includes Algeria.

This, he said, would give the authorities more power to meet the situation after De Gaulle's intervention.

He also announced that the Government — set up only two days ago — had decided to dissolve a number of "subversive organisations."

Guard Assembly

Members of the National Assembly had earlier been warned to stand by for an emergency session. M. Andre Le Troquer, Police Chief and Military Governor of Paris announced that the City's entire police force and military garrison, together estimated at between 50,000 and 60,000 men, had been requisitioned to guard the Assembly.

Unconfirmed rumours were circulating in Paris tonight about an unspecified number of parachutist shock troops coming to Paris and taking action against Parliament and the Government.

Earlier Communist Party leaders had warned their branch and cell officials to be ready for any emergency and to stand by for action. Assembly lobby reports stated.

A "state of emergency" created for the government the same exceptional powers as exist

when a "state of siege" is declared except that in a state of siege the powers are exercised by the civil authorities.

Among the 555 representatives in the National Assembly, the vast majority seemed hostile to General De Gaulle's latest move.

The Communists informed M. Pierre Pflimlin, that they would support him 100 per cent in the defence of "Republican legality."

The special powers accorded to the Government under a state of emergency or a state of siege include the right of the police to enter any private house and search it at any time of the day or night, to arrest persons on suspicion, to forbid all public gatherings, and to assign persons to reside in certain places or even to confine them to detention camps.

The state of emergency which places wide powers in the hands of the police is the same as that existing throughout Algeria since the Nationalist insurrection broke out.

The Communist and Socialist Deputies are spending tonight inside the parliament building as the "watchdogs of the Republic." They made arrangements for the refreshments reserved for Assembly members to be kept open all night and a supply of sandwiches and liquid refreshments has been assured.

Some observers considered that both the Government and the Parliamentary leaders were doing everything in their power to convey the impression to the general public that the danger of a coup d'etat or a putsch was imminent and furthermore that it would be carried out in the interest of General De Gaulle.

There was no confirmation from any source whatever that could justify the fear of an imminent attempt to seize power by force in Paris.

It was later learned that four organisations were at work, including the Popular Revolutionary Party (PRP) led by Jean-Baptiste Bizard and the movement Jeune Nation (young nation) of Jacques Sidot.

The Jeune Nation and Popular Revolutionary Party sponsored the recent demonstrations in Paris and called for the formation of a Government of Public Safety with De Gaulle in power.

These two organisations had also taken part in previous anti-British and anti-American demonstrations against the sending of arms to Tunisia—Beirut.

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LEBANON WANTS US TANKS

Washington, May 15. Riot-torn Lebanon has appealed to the United States for a shipment of tanks to help put down the disturbances. It was learned today.

The request was under study here. The State Department disclosed yesterday that the US was sending small arms to the strategic Arab nation for use against anti-Western demonstrators.

These shipments did not include any major arms. However, dispatches from Beirut today said the Lebanese Western-supported government seemed to be winning the upper hand over rebellious opposition forces.

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JIM STEER KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Captain James R. Steer, BOAC's Sales Manager, North-East Asia, was killed yesterday night when a Pakistan International Airways Convair aircraft crashed after take-off from New Delhi.

The crash of the airliner, which was carrying 38 people, claimed 21 lives.

Captain Steer had transferred to the PIA aircraft from the BOAC plane in which he had travelled from Hongkong. He was on his way to London for consultative talks with BOAC.

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Labour Wins Another By-Election

London, May 15. Labour won the North Islington, London, by-election tonight with a majority of 7,457 — a decrease of 121 — in a three-cornered fight with Conservatives, and an Independent Labour Party candidate.

At the 1955 General Election Labour had a 7,578 majority in a straight fight with Conservatives.

The result was: Mr G. W. Reynolds (Labour) 13,159

Mr E. Bartle (Conservative) 5,698

Mr J. McKie (Independent Labour Party) 570

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GAVE CREDIT

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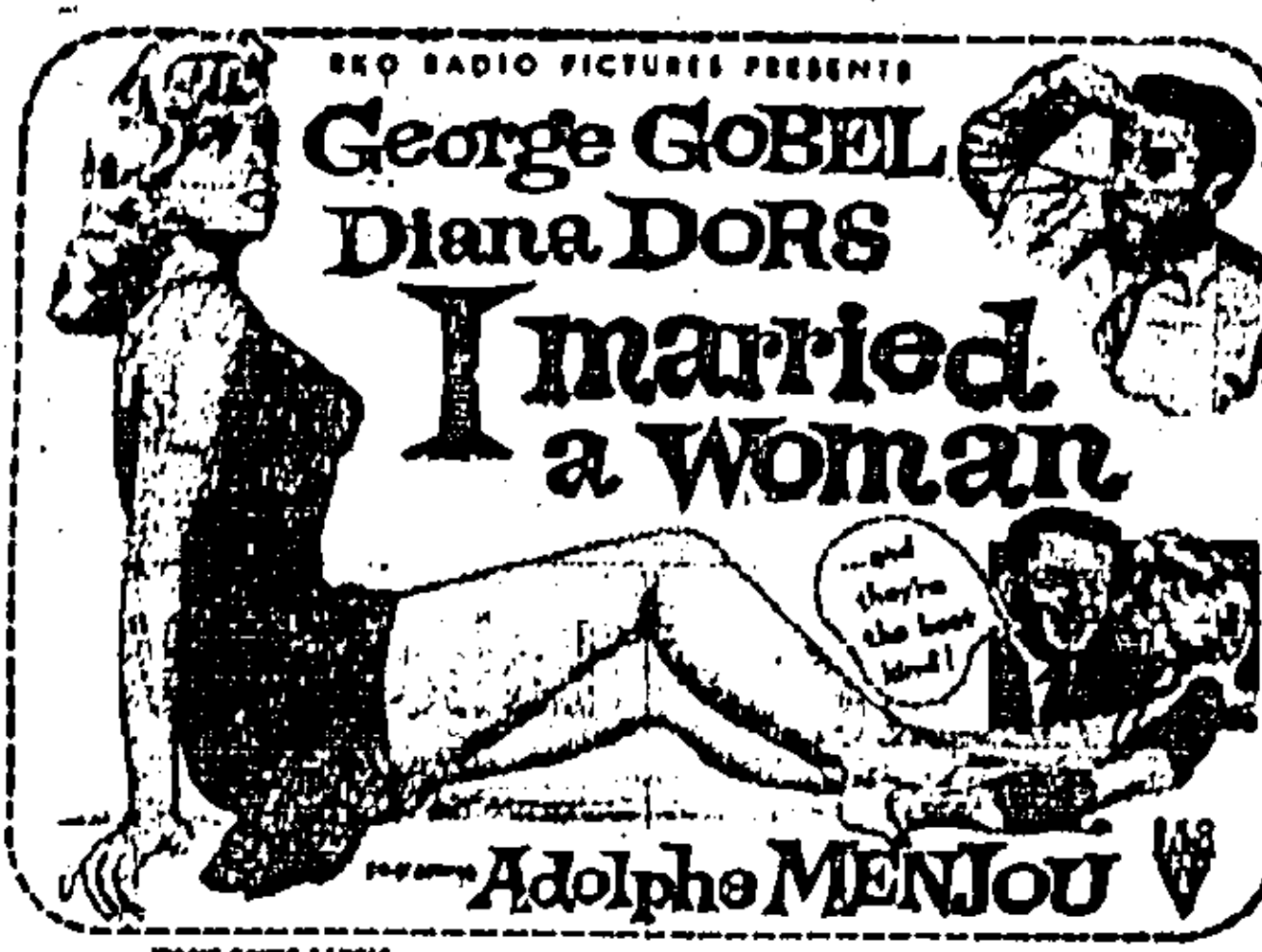
Dom Mintoff's Ultimatum Turned Down

Valletta, May 15. Sir Robert Laycock, Governor of Malta, has turned down an ultimatum by Malta's former Prime Minister, Mr Dom Mintoff, to be granted broadcasting time. The ultimatum expires at midnight tonight.

Mr Mintoff issued the ultimatum last Sunday. It said if broadcasting facilities were not granted "we will all go to the company's offices with our

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INDONESIAN AIR FORCE RAIDS ON REBELS DJAKARTA STRIKES BACK

Many Buildings And Vehicles Destroyed

Djakarta, May 16.
The Indonesian Air Force announced today that it had struck back at rebel bases on Celebes Island. A communique said the Air Force had attacked rebel-held areas of north and central Celebes, causing heavy damages.

The rebel offensive has moved to eastern Indonesia since the rebellion on Sumatra was crushed by central government forces. Rebel planes have made sporadic attacks on shipping and other targets.

The communique said government warplanes attacked Menado, the rebel capital on Sunday, destroying four rebel planes and two vessels. It added that two planes were destroyed in other areas.

The Air Force said the attacks began on Saturday with a raid on Parigi harbour in central Celebes. It said buildings were set on fire in the harbour area and a number of motor vehicles were destroyed.

Additional vehicles and a motor vessel were destroyed at Paso in the same area.

Parigi was again attacked on Sunday. The raiders found fires still burning from the previous day's attack, the communique reported.

Destroyed

On Thursday, the report said three Mustang fighter planes and one Catalina flying boat were destroyed in a bombing and strafing attack on Menado airfield, and two vessels were sunk in Menado harbour.

Two other planes were said to have been destroyed at Tauka airfield, near Tondano Lake.

The communique said all Air Force planes and crew returned safely from the raids.

The Air Force claims totalled 12 rebel planes and five vessels destroyed.—United Press.

Volcanoes

Horta, May 15.
Portuguese warships today evacuated children and the aged from the earthquake island of Fiala as two volcanoes belched lava high into the air.

Nearly 2,000 of the island's 30,000 residents have been sheltered on other islands since the earthquake—which killed three persons and destroyed more than 600 houses—erupted three days ago.—United Press.

Cannes Furore: British

Film Said Anti-American

Cannes, May 15.
A dispute broke out today between Britain and the United States at the Cannes international film festival over charges that the British picture "Orders to Kill" was anti-American.

A member of the prize jury, Hollywood Director, Charles Vidor, is understood to have protested against the film at a jury meeting.

The British film, which had been in the running for a prize, may have lost its chance because of American hostility. It is the story of an American who is ordered to enter occupied France to execute a Frenchman accused of betraying his fellow members of the resistance. The American does the job but then the victim is found to be innocent. The jury proceedings are secret, but it was learned that Vidor had objected to the fact that the killer was an American.

"Since this is a British film they should have made him a Briton," Vidor is understood to have said. Vidor said today that he was "sorry the story has leaked out, but my vote is only one in 11." David Kinealy, director of Lion International Films, distributor of the picture, said: "It is a pity about Vidor's protest. This film should win the Grand Prize. There is nothing anti-American about it."

Townsend Visits Margaret



Townsend

London, May 15.
GROUP Captain Peter Townsend visited Clarence House, London home of Princess Margaret, at tea-time today.

He arrived there just after Princess Margaret returned from an official engagement in South London.

It was his second visit to Clarence House since his return from a round-the-world tour last March.—Reuter.

A Weeping Man Tells Of Family's Deaths Glasgow's Mass Murder Trial

Glasgow, May 15.
A weeping man on a leather couch today told a Glasgow multi-murder trial jury that the deaths of his wife, daughter and sister-in-law were described to him by the man in the dock, swarthy woodworker, Peter Anthony Manuel.

Baker William Watt, 51, broke down, twice as he testified for two hours. He told the court that Manuel had described in detail the furniture in the murder home while claiming he had never been there.

Watt, who was seriously injured recently in a motor accident and fell yesterday climbing the courthouse steps, was carried into court by two policemen.

Manuel in his special defence, has claimed that if Watt's family were murdered, Watt was responsible.

In a dramatic courtroom moment, Watt heaved himself up on the couch to shout his denial that he had shot his wife. Manuel is charged with killing three women, three teen-age girls, a man and a boy. He also faces three charges of house-breaking and of stealing a car. He has pleaded not guilty on all charges.—Reuter.

Refugees From Hongkong Near End Of 350-Year Odyssey

"OLD BELIEVERS" LAND AT LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, May 15.
A 350-year odyssey of White Russian refugees brought more than 80 of the colourfully-dressed travellers to the international airport here today for a brief stopover in their trek to Brazil.

The refugees, quiet but appearing happy that their long journey is nearly over, came from Harbin, Manchuria, where they lived for 25 years as farmers and craftsmen.

They are part of a group of approximately 1,000 planning to settle in Brazil.

More than 400 other White Russians are waiting in Hongkong for transportation. Today's group of 82 left the Crown Colony on May 13.

Included in the party is group leader Avtonom Kulikov, 74, who was born at Amurskaya, Russia, and is the oldest traveller. His granddaughter, Maria, was born in Hongkong a month ago, and also is with the group. After a brief stop here the travellers will sail for Brazil on May 17 on the Brazil Maru. The migration is being made through the joint efforts of the 27-nation Inter-Governmental Committee for European Migration, the United Nations and the World Council of Churches.

The destination is a 6,000-acre tract in the state of Parana in interior Brazil, some 60 miles from Curitiba, purchased for the resettlement programme by the Church Council.

The wanderings of the group, known as the Old Believers, began in the 17th century when their refusal to accept reforms instituted by a Russian Patriarch brought oppression upon them. They fled to the wastes of Far Eastern Russia and thence to Manchuria and Western China.—United Press.

Rail Strike Threat Off

London, May 15.
The threat of a nation-wide railway strike which for weeks has hung over Britain vanished tonight.

Leaders of the biggest rail union, the 370,000-strong National Union of Railwaymen, decided to accept a three per cent pay rise offered them by the British Transport Commission, which runs the nationalised network. Two smaller unions had already agreed to the increase, but the NUR held out longer in a vain attempt to have it stepped up.—Reuter.

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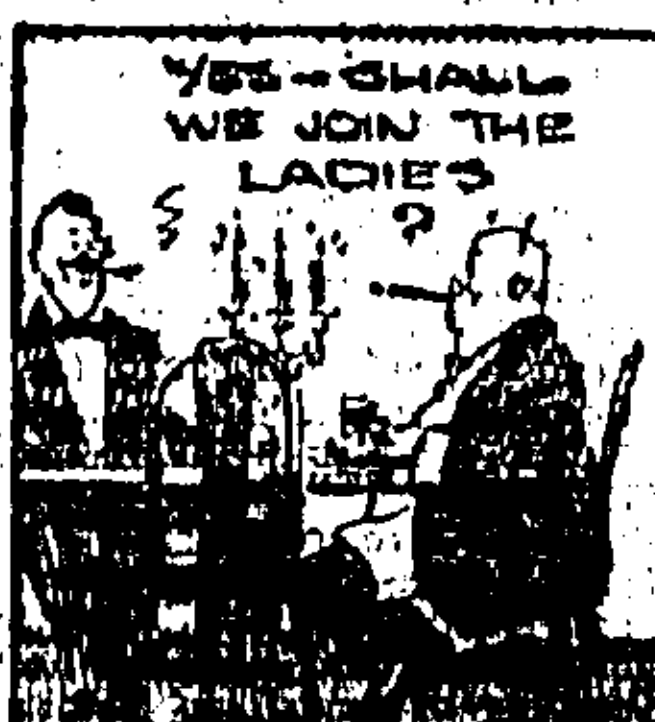
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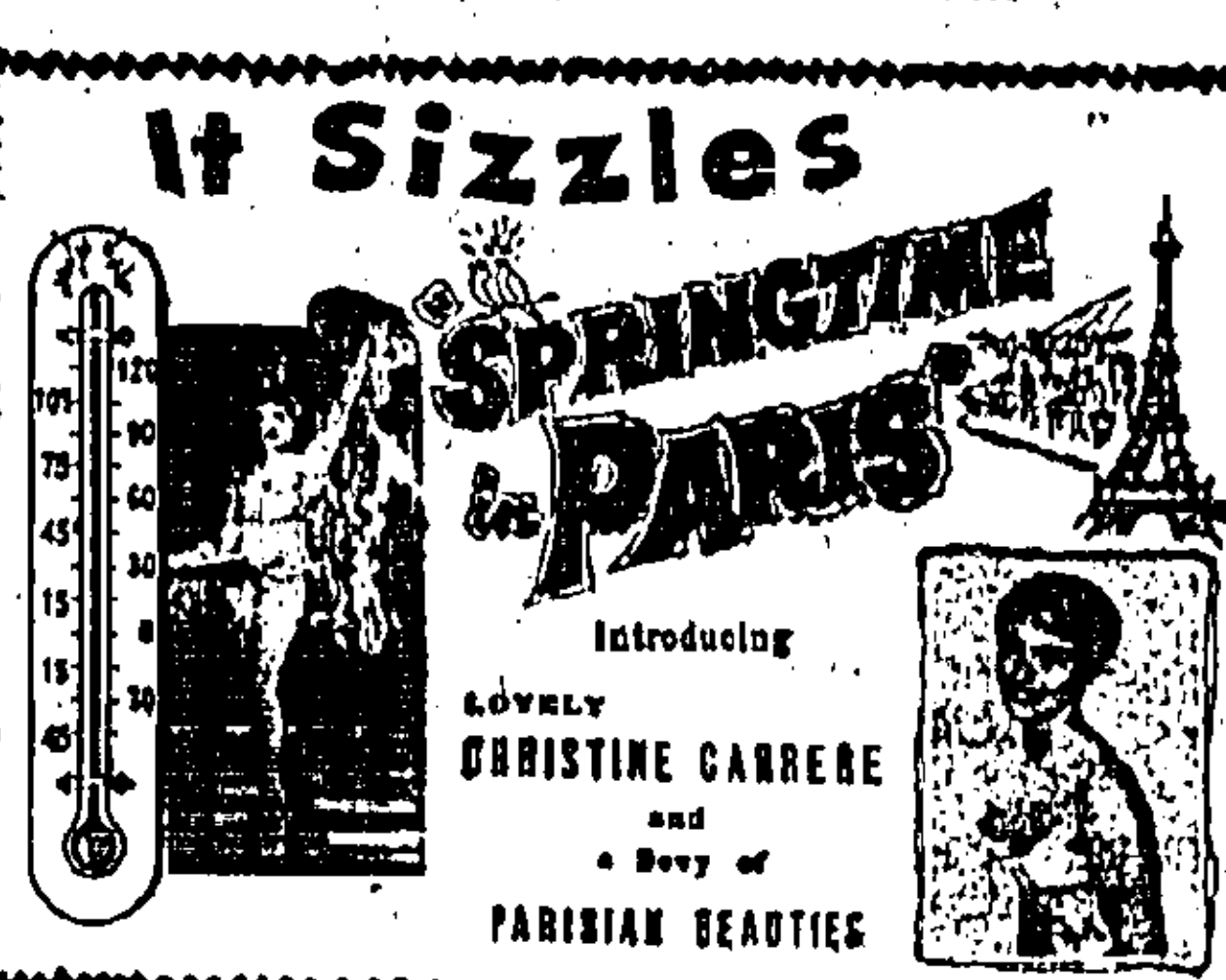


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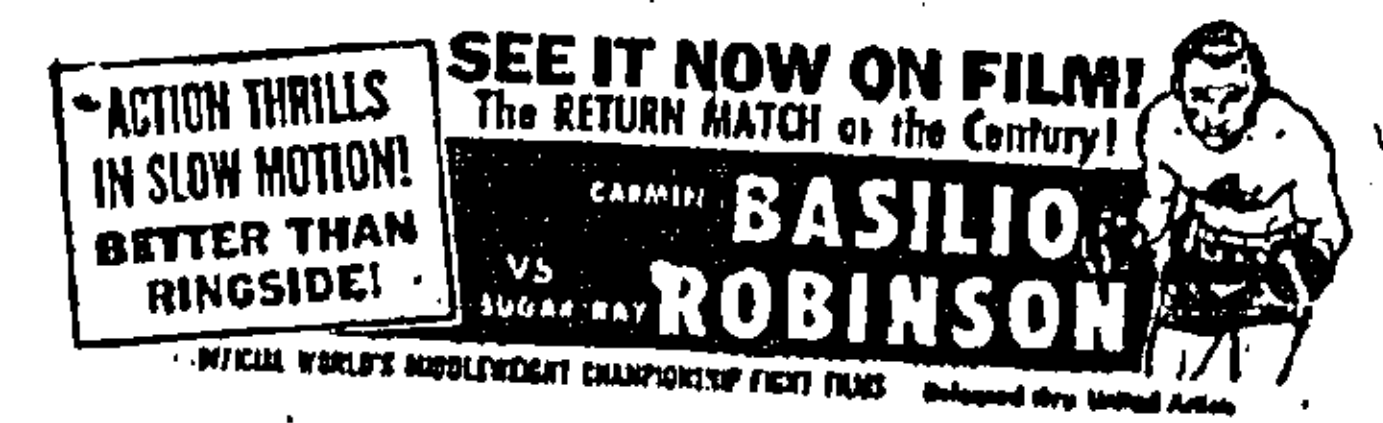


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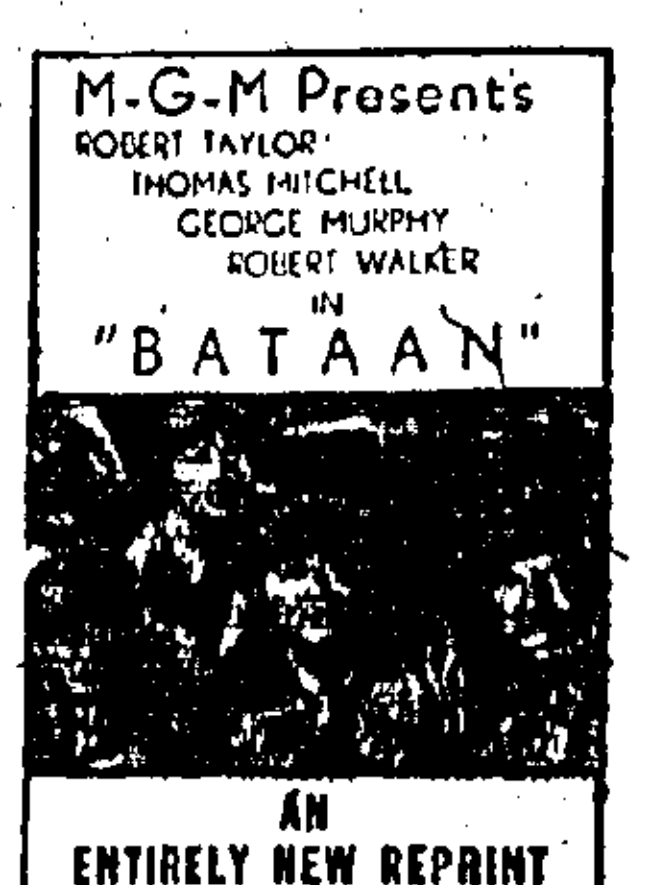
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THE RACE FOR SPACE

Sputnik III May Land Again Intact, Scientists Declare

By VINCENT BUIST

Moscow, May 15.

Russia's massive third Sputnik, the largest man-made satellite yet achieved, which was launched into orbit today, may be specially designed to land again intact, US Scientists.

The cone-shaped satellite, nearly 12 feet long and nearly six feet across the base, weighs 1 ton 679 pounds, which is 1,800 pounds heavier than the second Sputnik, which carried the space-dog Laika.

At Least A Year To Catch Up

New York, May 15. Dr. Werner von Braun, head of the team which launched the first American satellite, said today it would take the United States a year to 18 months to launch a satellite as big as Sputnik III.

Dr. William Pickering, director of jet propulsion at the California Institute of Technology, told a Senate space committee in Washington that Sputnik III showed the Russians were ahead of the United States by a wide margin. —Reuter.

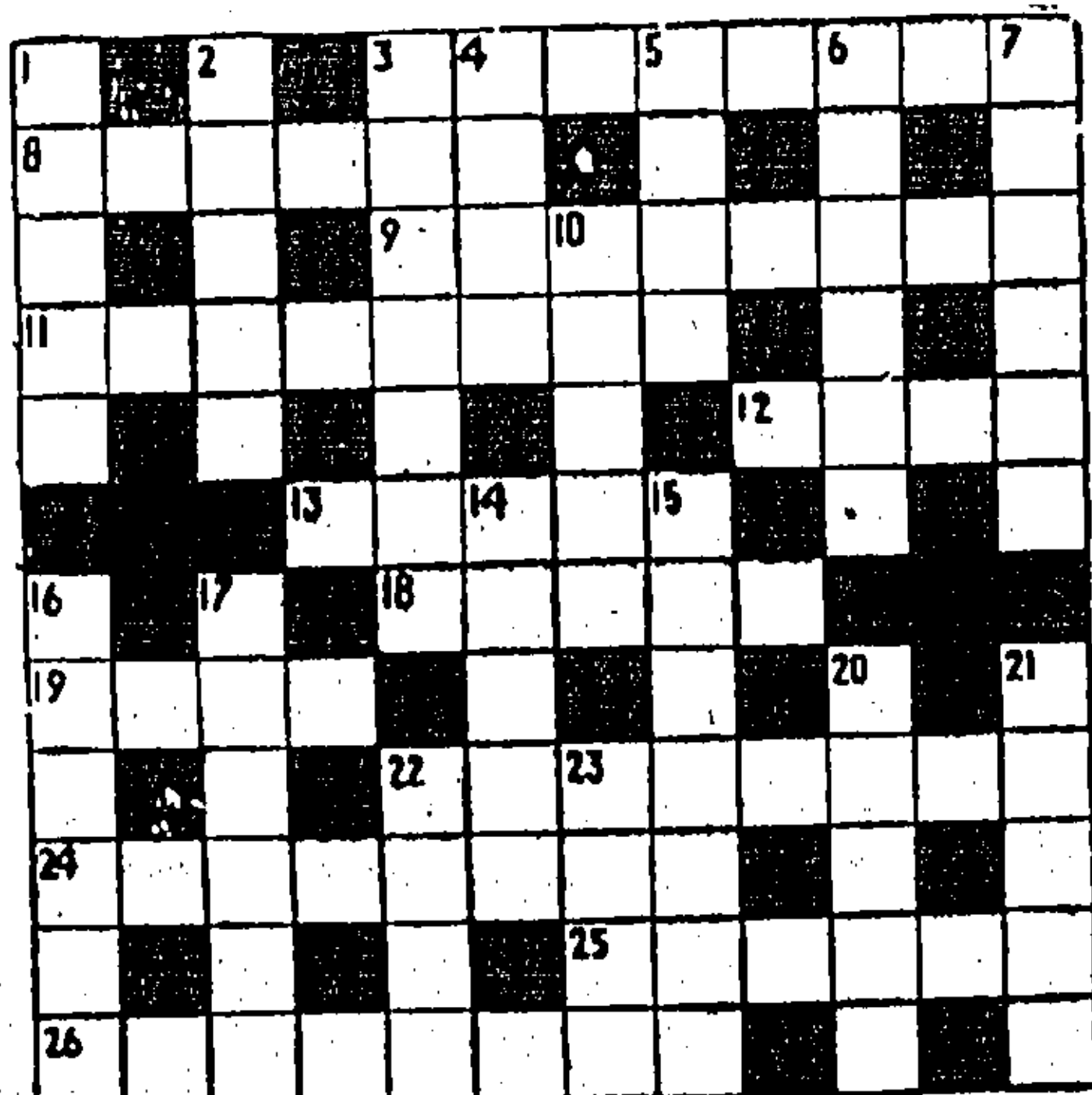
ROYAL ASSENT FOR CHRISTMAS ISLE

London, May 15. The Royal Assent was yesterday given to a bill to enable Britain to transfer authority over Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean from Singapore to Australia by order in council.

The bill, which has already been passed by both Houses of Parliament, now becomes law.

Christmas Island has hitherto been administered from Singapore. The change is being made in view of the new constitutional developments in Singapore. —Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Had a fleeting look. (8)
 - Dance jacket? (6)
 - Prelude at Covent Garden, perhaps. (8)
 - I'll do what you ask, being in the pink. (4, 4)
 - Plant which never flowers. (4)
 - Tangled races? (5)
 - Archbishop Makarios, for example. (5)
 - Former Prime Minister. (4)
 - Suckers! (8)
 - Relating to country life. (8)
 - Folk. (8)
 - Offered for acceptance. (8)
- DOWN**
- Higher up. (5)
 - Old national flag. (5)
 - Development palm? (7)
 - But is it nothing to tennis players? (4)
 - Kind of soil. (4)
 - So accustomed to being pickled! (6)
 - She looks after girls. (6)
 - The best people. (5)
 - Military command, perhaps. (5)
 - Came down and paid up. (7)
 - Brew holder. (6)
 - Underlying motive. (6)
 - Opportunity. (5)
 - Gay stiffs? (5)
 - I think it's a book! (4)
 - You got it in the neck. (4)

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Bracelet, 7 Ratio, 8 Well done, 10 Fills, 12 Finesses, 15 Fort, 17 Angelus, 18 Dog, 19 Ours, 20 Supreme, 21 Relays, 22 Indulged, 23 Annie, 24 Gas-shell, Down: 1 Gruff, 2 Saint, 3 Bowls, 4 Coil, 5 Lionel, 6 Treats, 9 Essays, 11 Rip-on, 12 Leeds, 14 Ensnare, 15 Pearl, 16 Rummy, 18 Dozing, 19 Golden, 22 Pedit, 23 Earn, 24 Eaten, 25 Blah.

London Bridge Is Holding Up

THE London bus strike is now in its twelfth day, and shows no sign of ending. While Londoners continue to walk and hitch-hike to and from work, a decision yesterday by the Transport and General Workers Union helped, in fact, to ensure that it will carry on.

This decision will mean 23 a week for each striker, plus 15 shillings for wives and seven shillings and sixpence for each child.

On left is scene at 9 a.m. as workers struggle to their offices. On right is the view at 5.35 p.m. as they head homeward. —Express.



Nikita's Pledge Of Aid To Arabs

Moscow, May 15. Premier Nikita Khrushchev declared tonight the Soviet Union seeks "unity" of the Arab peoples under the United Arab Republic "and told them: you will have all the necessary help."

Khrushchev, in a personal letter to the UAR's President Nasser at a Kremlin ceremony, said, "You have our sympathy and you will have all the necessary help."

He said, "We want the unity and solidarity of the Arab people under your leadership, which will guarantee that the colonizers will not return to your sacred land."

Khrushchev told Nasser "we want you to strengthen the United Arab Republic... We know from experience what liberation from foreigners means."

Khrushchev's pledge of help came after the issuance of a joint communique in which it was announced that he and Soviet President Kliment Voroshilov had accepted an invitation from Nasser to visit the United Arab Republic.

INTERESTED

The Soviet leader said Russia was very much interested in Arab affairs and this interest was summed up in one wish—"that the boot of no colonizer's soldiers ever set foot on Egypt again."

Khrushchev said "we want your country to grow stronger. We need only one thing—your friendship."

Khrushchev's remarks were made spontaneously after Voroshilov and Nasser had exchanged formal greetings.

Earlier today, the Soviet Premier hailed Nasser as "the national hero of the Arab people."

Tonight he said "I want to single out Nasser's particular role in the struggle for liberation. How many years was Egypt under the foreign yoke? How much blood of the Arab people was spilled in vain?"

"I regard our guest, who turned the wheel of history, with great respect. The riches of Egypt have become national wealth. For all these the qualities of bravery, understanding and fearlessness (were) necessary."

"All these qualities and a love of his people were shown by our guest. We are very happy that you are here." —United Press.

A Yugoslav Hits Back "It's Russia Who's Guilty Of Revisionism"

Belgrade, May 15.

A Yugoslav Communist official today accused Soviet leaders of being guilty of "revisionism of the principles of Marxism and Leninism." The Soviet Union has already accused Yugoslavia of "revisionism."

Mr. Pavao Perovic, a leading Communist official, writing in the Yugoslav Party Central Committee, condemned the present Eastern bloc anti-Yugoslav campaign which he described as reminiscent of the Cominform period in 1948.

Yugoslavia was then expelled from the Soviet-run Cominform, an association of major Communist parties, on grounds of "heresy."

Mr. Perovic, writing in the Yugoslav Party Central Committee, said: "Leaving aside the social and political motives of this campaign, we can say that this is in fact a specific revisionism of the principles of Marxism and Leninism."

The clarification of the present problems of socialism could not be achieved by "campaigns, insults and insinuations."

The article was the second defence of Yugoslav views to appear here since the Soviet bloc campaign started almost a month ago.

Yugoslavia has been sharply attacked in the press in Moscow, Peking, and most of other Communist capitals.

Mr. Perovic did not name the Soviet or any party. —Reuter.

Development Of Closer Relations Between Russia & UAR

Khrushchev To Return Visit Nasser Winds Up Stay In Moscow

Moscow, May 15.

President Gamal Abdel Nasser and Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev agreed today to seek closer relations between the United Arab Republic and Russia. As a first step Khrushchev agreed to visit Cairo.

In a joint communique, the two statesmen expressed "deep satisfaction" with the development of close relations between the two countries.

The declaration was issued at the windup of Nasser's 18-day official visit to Moscow and other Soviet cities. The communique said that Khrushchev and President Kliment Voroshilov accepted an invitation "with gratitude."

But it did not specify the date of the trip.

Nasser extended the invitation to the two Soviet leaders in the course of a speech today in the great marble hall of the Supreme Soviet in the Kremlin.

Both Nasser and Khrushchev addressed the meeting, which was attended by 2,000 people, including top Soviet leadership.

In the communique, signed in brief ceremony in the Kremlin this evening, Nasser and Khrushchev condemned French "crimes" in Algeria and called for "self-determination and independence for the Algerian people."

Both governments also condemned their support for the "legitimate right of Palestinian Arabs" regarding "their eviction from their native places."

No mention was made of Israel by name in the entire communique.

Coincidence

The joint statement made it clear that the two governments' views coincided on nearly every major international topic.

Both parties expressed "deep satisfaction" with the "close and gradually developing relations" between the two countries.

They called for "peaceful co-existence" among all States, regardless of political systems, and an end to the cold war.

Alexandra Has A Confession



Alexandra

London, May 15. Princess Alexandra, 21-year-old daughter of the Duchess of Kent, has confessed: "I am not a good cook."

Speaking at the Gas Council's National Youth Cookery competition yesterday, she added: "Indeed, I am ashamed to say that I am hardly a cook at all."

"So I have an unbounded admiration for those who with apparently effortless ease can produce a superlatively good meal." —Reuter.

HONOUR FOR TENGKU ABDUL RAHMAN IN TOKYO

Kuala Lumpur, May 15.

The Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tengku Abdul Rahman, will be made an honorary citizen of Tokyo during his visit to Japan beginning on May 21, official Federation government sources revealed today.

The sources said it was understood he would also be awarded the freedom of the city one day after his arrival in Tokyo for the Asian Games.

The Tengku and his wife, Puan Shahrifah Rodziah, the Minister of Commerce, Mr. Tan Siow-sin and Mrs. Tan, will leave here by air on May 20.

They spent one night in Hongkong before flying on to Tokyo.

The sources said a representative of the Emperor of Japan would meet the party together with the Prime Minister of Japan, Mr. Nobusuke Kishi and members of his Cabinet. —Reuter.

The Right To A Long Life

Munich, May 15.

About 150 school children, led by a 17-year-old boy, demonstrated in Munich's city centre today against the planned equipment of the West German forces with atomic weapons.

In short speeches several of them demanded "the right to a long life." —China Mail Special.

King Hussein

Amman, May 15.

King Hussein of Jordan flew back to Amman today from Baghdad where he and his cousin King Faisal of Iraq implemented their Arab Union. —United Press.

"We've Some Devilish Weapons"

A SENATOR WANTS U.S. TO TELL THE WORLD

Washington, May 15.

Senator Clinton Anderson, deputy chairman of the Congressional Atomic Energy Committee, said today the United States should let the world know it had "some damned devilish weapons" in the atomic stockpile.

"I am hoping that we won't keep on talking about our stockpile as if it were nothing in them but a lot of lipsticks," he said in a speech here. "It doesn't help to talk about how clean our stockpile is," he declared.

Senator Anderson has claimed that the military were "dithering" despite statements that the United States was carrying on with testing so as to develop a weapon free of radioactive fallout.

He said today that military officials were interested in dirty bombs "for a specific purpose and a worthy one."

A clean bomb dropped on a target would have far less military effect than one producing heavy radioactivity. —Reuter.

THE LOCH NESS MONSTER Frogmen Search For Legendary Beast

Loch Ness, May 15.

Frogmen with under-water television cameras tonight searched the murky depths here in search of the Loch Ness monster.

But millions of viewers throughout Britain, who followed the hunt on their television screens, were disappointed. The legendary monster would not face the cameras.

The strange beast, reputed to be 35 feet long, with a flatish head and three humps, may have been television-spy, and remained lurking in the mud, at the 754 feet deep bottom of the loch.

The British Broadcasting Corporation, which screen a 50-minute inquiry, persuaded quite a number of cynics that the beast—affectionately called "Nessie"—is no myth.

EVIDENCE

Strongest evidence, however, remained two seven photographs taken by lake-side dwellers in 1933 and 1951, and several eye-witness accounts of the creature.

A Nobel Prize winning scientist, Dr. Richard Syge, told how he spotted the monster one fine August morning in 1934, and raced alongside it in his car as it swam up the loch.

The town clerk of Lincoln, England, said the beast had a head "like a sheep," and moved at about 15 to 20 miles per hour. A weather-beaten highland stalker, who watched it through his telescope, said it was about 35 feet long and dark-brown in colour.

They and Mrs. Constance Smith, author of a recent book on the monster, indignantly refuted suggestions that the beast was a "put up job" for the hotel-owners, whose trade has soared since a road for tourists was built round the loch in 1933—China Mail Special.

TRAINING IN MISSILES

London, May 15.

The first group of RAF personnel to be trained to operate the ballistic missiles supplied by the US—under the Anglo-American agreement—leave for the US this week, Mr. George Ward, Secretary for Air, said today.

"Some American technicians have already arrived in this country," he told the House of Commons. "Other arrangements for the carrying into effect of our agreement are well in hand." —China Mail Special.

War Crimes

Tribunal Chairman Retires

Canberra, May 15.

The former chairman of the International Military Tribunal for the Far East which tried major Japanese war criminals, Mr. Justice Sir William Webb, retired from the Australian High Court bench today, the Attorney-General Senator Neil O'Sullivan announced today.

Sir William Webb was formerly Chief Justice of Queensland. In 1943 the Australian Government appointed him to investigate Japanese atrocities and breaches of the rules of warfare.

In 1944 Sir William visited England to present evidence before the United Nations War Crimes Commission where he served on a committee presided over by Viscount Simon, then Lord Chancellor, which drafted instructions issued by the British Government to its military commanders for the proper conduct of war crimes trials.

The Australian Government appointed him Australian representative on the International Military Tribunal for the Far East in 1946 and General Douglas MacArthur appointed him president of the Tribunal. —Reuter.

Relations Between W. Germany And Russia

Moscow, May 15.

Marshal Kliment Voroshilov, Soviet President, said today the foundations were now being laid for an improvement in relations between Russia and West Germany, the Soviet news agency, Tass, reported.

He was welcoming the new West German Ambassador, Dr. Hans Krull, when he called at the Kremlin to present his credentials.

He said the Soviet Union placed "great importance" on this.

The Soviet Union was convinced that "if the two could find a 'common language' on questions of easing world tension it would have an important effect on strengthening peace throughout the world." —Reuter.

FOR SALE—Girls' Boarding School. 200 pupils. No expenses or upkeep. Good profits. Will accept reasonable offer for quick sale.

I'm simple minded. I'm American. But in five years in Britain I've cottoned on to some little English mysteries. I can add up farthings and half-crowns, translate running conversations in the local lingo, and even sometimes remember to Push Button A.

But five hundred years in Britain wouldn't clear up your big mysteries for me. I try, but I will never, never understand how or why you put up with your educational system.

First those prestige factories, the private schools. They really baffle me.

For every good one in the limelight there are five bad that neither limelight nor light of learning ever touches.

Bad schools are cold, flat business propositions. They change hands as casually as shopwindow dummies. Every time one changes hands the children are sold to a new school. Part of the fixtures and fittings, but not as dear as fitted carpets.

QUICK SALE

Ever read the advertisement? Here's a recent one: **FOR SALE—Girls' Boarding School.** 200 pupils. No expenses or upkeep. Good profits. Will accept reasonable offer for quick sale. Write Box 1301.

Quick sale. Quick sale to whom? Anybody? Yes, anybody with the right sort of money.

It's a fact. Anyone tired of chicken farming or head-stitching can buy and run a school. Or start one.

Get a tumbledown house cheap. Slap some paint over the damp spots, appoint your self head master, and take on your ex-odd-job man as history master. Dream up a plausible-sounding prospectus, letter "Hollowhead Hall" on the gate, and you're in business.

Teachers? Teachers are easy. Anybody can be a teacher. Nothing to it. But pick them up locally. It's cheaper.

The town drunk—he may need a job. Or perhaps a man with a criminal record will respond to this less lively calling.

Surely no English parents in their right minds would send children to such a school? Oh, wouldn't they just? They save up and queue up to do so.

The best-intentioned parents do so out of pure potty snobbery. To them, any private school is automatically better than a State school.

The uniform. The organized games. The plucky school spirit. The pompously unctuous middle-class respectability of sports day and patch day. The fee itself. All these make up that

crazy cachet of exclusivity still so fiercely admired and coveted in England.

The worst-intentioned parents will ship their children off to any school just to get them out of the way.

Not so? But here is an Englishman who wrote to me of his own experience:

"I was dumped in a badly conducted private school at the age of three, and left there for 15 years with the degenerate family who ran the school. These people had no scholastic qualifications."

"The fees were paid by post, and only on two occasions in the 15 years was there a visit from the people who had dumped me. I was half-crushed during my whole childhood, and suffered gross malnutrition, fear, ill-health, and lack of affection, and was used as an unpaid servant."

"As you will see from questions asked in the House of Commons, nobody knows to this day how many children are suffering a similar fate. As children are confined to the precincts of a school, they are out of reach of the eyes of the N.S.P.C.C. It is a horrifying thought that Charles Dickens exposed these same social evils over 100 years ago."

Only one man. One man with a goodly school. Your child's school is not like his.

All right, I agree. It isn't. But what is it like?

Leave aside what it claims in the shiny brochure. Do you really know how good—or bad—the school is? How can you? Even the Ministry of Education doesn't know. Or care.

Only this year, on April 1—only a mere 14 years after the Education Act in which it is included was passed—did it become the law that all private schools must register with the Ministry of Education. And, if necessary, be inspected.

Any morsel of progress must be given its due. But there's precious little due here. Registration is easy. Just fill out a form.

How do our schools compare with those of other nations? Here an American who has lived in England for five years gives a provocative and scathing verdict: In the education race England is a resounding failure. Do you agree?

Sports Day! Speech Day! What a sham to please the snobs...

by DEE WELLS



Inspection is easier still. Dress 'em up, lay on extra rations, give any really embarrassing teacher a day's leave, and buy a bushel of second-hand books to strew about impressively.

It's nicely American thinking, but the curious thing to me is that it took 14 years to happen. Even allowing for the English fetish of making progress slowly, why 14 years?

Ah, says the Ministry of Education. Well, the schools needed time ("the war, y'know") to spruce up their staff to be able to pass an inspection.

Time. How much time can you get? True, that new upstart Eton was born in 1440. But St Peter's, York, was founded in 627. King's School, Canterbury, in 601.

THEY ADMIT....

All excellent schools. There was the last thing that they, and the others, like them, lacked. That 14 years wasn't for them.

The time was purposely given to bad schools. And any school that needs 14 years to spruce up has no right to be in business.

The Ministry admits this time-gift. The operation has been deliberately delayed until such time as independent schools would be able, where necessary, to improve....

You see how a poor foreigner might easily be baffled? But don't get me wrong. I'm not out to knock down private schools stone by stone.

Bad as some are, and little as I admire their smugly "old-fashioned" products, the good ones

can still beat the State schools all hollow. Too many State schools are to education what a bucket of sand is to a camp fire. Shifters. Not to say extinguishers.

FLEDGLINGS

How can it be otherwise when schools rely on a profession whose new, improved pay rate is £475? Less than an engine driver makes in a year. Less than a second-rate movie star makes in a week.

Teachers get rises. Sure. They can inch right up to the dizzy high of £800—in 17 years.

Who, excepting monkeys, would work hard and skilfully for peanuts like that?

Teaching is hard work. It should be skilled work. But, with the best will in the world, how can the teachers be skilled?

Hardly out of their teens, and not university-trained themselves, fledglings (teachers) are turned loose after a two-year course. With that rich background they are expected to teach every subject, and every age from five to 15.

Only three per cent fail their two-year course. A highly commendable low percentage? Nonsense. A highly suspect low percentage. Only two things could account for it: either the course is too elementary, or too many are passed who shouldn't be.

Even at this, teachers are scarce. Some schools can operate only part time. Others have to make-do and double up.

AN EXAMPLE: One private school, unable to replace a history master, threw the job to the Latin master. His idea of a history class was simply to let each of the 25 boys read aloud a paragraph from the book. No explanation. No guidance. No possibility of history coming to life and meaning anything.

THE RESULT: Pupils didn't know Ancient Greece from the Great War. They had to be privately tutored to pass their common entrance exam.

Crazy? Yes. But the blue ribbon for madness goes to something crazier still: the 11-plus exam. The grim reaper that seizes out 80 per cent of all who take it.

Not only children fail it. For fun, I showed philosopher Bertrand Russell three 11-plus questions. He shook his head and said:

"I couldn't possibly do these." This, from the cleverest mind Britain has produced in two centuries! From the man who, as we say on Third Avenue, has brains he hasn't even used yet.

WHO CARES?

To me, the 11-plus looks like a mad-up copy of American intelligence tests. Questions are gimmicky tricks with no bearing on either information or intelligence.

America, though, was at least thorough in its incapacity. We were intelligence-tested every year, but nothing ever happened because of it.

Here, too much happens. One goes, and a child's out. Banished to the "educational scrapheap"

of a secondary modern school. From which he is likely to emerge as part of the 91.5 per cent who quit school at the minimum-allowed age of 15.

A disastrous wastage rate! But who cares?

American immigrant families save for years to buy their children better education. Complacent low-income Englishmen see their children only as potential wage-earners. And the sooner the better.

Until they stir from their security rut and recognize the necessity for better education for more people, Britain will never realise her brain-power potential.

Already Britain is out-paced in the education race by both America and Russia.

With only three times more people than Britain, American universities educate twice times more. The Russian figure is even higher. Both these countries spend five times more of their national income on education than does Britain.

What to do? Train teachers more thoroughly. Pay them better. Build more schools. Spend more money. Throw out the 11-plus. These will all help. But until people care, until they want education half so avidly as they want television sets, schooling in Britain will remain bad and brief.

A bleak picture. Not to my liking, but it is to yours—well, it's your country. It's your system. And you're stuck with it.

Why I hope Charles

WE hear that the Queen wants her son, Prince Charles, to go to Eton.... we hear that his father, the Duke of Edinburgh, would prefer his own old school, Gordonstoun.... and the Prince himself, it seems, would like to go to Charterhouse. Obviously this is question of the Prince's education is now being discussed at the Palace.

It is all very healthy.... for this will be the first time that the Heir to the Throne has been educated publicly. In the old days he would have been educated privately by tutors. In the case of the Duke of Windsor there was a short period at Magdalen at Oxford.... but he was really an ordinary undergraduate, or treated as such.

It is, in effect, a tremendous revolution that the Duke of Cornwall should be having a normal education.

He was at the prep school in Knightsbridge, among the children of ordinary professional people. He is now at Chesham, which, although famous, is not particularly exclusive.

What of the choices now? **ELITE**

FIRST, Eton. It is the school. One can say what one likes, but this is the school to which every successful man wishes to send his son.

It is still much the same as when it was described by Disraeli in "Coningsby"... the school which produces leaders, an elite.

There are the aristocrats. There are the sons of the great industrialists. A mixture of tradition, carried on from generation to generation, with the new leaders.

Never think that Eton is stuffy. In spite of all the talk about the necessity of being "put down" at birth, Eton will always find room for the son of a man who has found wealth and fame.

Eton thinks big. It thinks in the terms of educating people who may be important in a framework that will preserve the British way of life.

If Charles went there he would play the Field Game, Eton's special kind of football. He would play, perhaps, the Wall Game, where the goals are a tree and a door. He would be able to row on the Thames. He would play cricket on Agate, Eton's ground.

And all his time there he would be very near to Windsor, and to the sons of the friends and advisers of his mother and father.

Of course, there would be certain difficulties. He would have to fog, like all the boys in the Lower School. He would have to wear an Eton jacket, until he was tall enough to wear tails.

And Eton jackets are very cold when you have to get up for early morning school before breakfast on a winter morning.

LEADERSHIP

As for Gordonstoun.... well, this is a curious institution. Dr Kurt Hahn, a German, came to Britain before the First War and admired Eton enormously. When Germany was defeated he induced Prince Max von Baden, to the twenty-first century.

He would be going to a school where the boys, in most cases, have no career already made. Most Christians have to make their own way.

And it may well be that in that spirit of enterprise and initiative Prince Charles will not only be happy. But also best prepared for his task, to be King of England and the Dominions Overseas in a world that is already looking forward to the twenty-first century.

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ANNIVERSARY STORY

ONE VOTE SAVED THE PRESIDENT

by James A. Hockley

ON the afternoon of Saturday, May 16, 1868, Andrew Johnson, 17th President of the United States, sat quietly at the desk behind the closed doors of the White House, in Washington.

There was nothing in his manner to show that the day had been anything out of the ordinary. But now, 90 years later, students of American history remember it as the day when the Presidential system of the United States had its narrowest-ever escape from destruction.

For Andrew Johnson was on trial by the Senate, which was sitting as a High Court of Impeachment. Three months before, two Congressmen, Thaddeus Stevens and John Bingham, had appeared at the bar of the Senate and in the name of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States had charged the President with "high crimes and misdemeanours in office."

The pair were among the seven men appointed "managers" of the subsequent impeachment proceedings. By March, they had compiled eleven articles of indictment.

The hearing began at the end of the month and was presided over by Chief Justice Chase. But his efforts to preserve some semblance of a judicial trial were so often overruled by the managers, and several radical senators, that the proceedings became a theatrical farce.

GREAT OUTCRY

On May 16, 30th day of the trial, Johnson's enemies pressed for a vote on the eleventh article. This was more cunningly drafted than the other ten, in the hope that those who could not vote for one part would find something convictable in another,

and so be compelled to vote for the whole.

The President was accused of alleging that the thirty-ninth Congress was not constitutional, and of trying to prevent the execution of three Acts, one making appropriations for the support of the army, another providing for more efficient government of rebel states, and the third regulating powers of certain civil servants.

The "high misdemeanour" was said to have given to the provisional government of the Southern states to disobey the laws of Congress.

But Johnson's counsel quickly made it clear that the only allegation with substance was the suspension of Edwin W. Stanton, Secretary of the War Department, without the consent of the Senate. The President had treated Stanton with great tolerance, but it became apparent that he was an informer and adviser to the opposition. There was a great outcry and Stanton was reinstated to the Cabinet.

The honest and hard-hitting but often tactless Johnson had been at loggerheads with the Senate from the time he suc-

ceeded Abraham Lincoln. Every attempt was made to discredit him. He was widely accused of all kinds of moral and political wrongdoings, and even with complicity in Lincoln's assassination.

All these charges were unfounded; the self-made Johnson was a man of the highest integrity and morality, incapable of political trickery.

SELF-ASSURED

Like Lincoln, Andrew Johnson had known extreme poverty. His father was a humble, bank porter who died when Johnson was only four. Andrew became a tailor and married. His wife taught him to read and write. He had a passion for oratory and politics and even paid people to read to him while he worked. A true Democrat and champion of the labouring classes, he was disliked and feared by aristocrats. Starting as an alderman, he rose to the highest office in the land by the time he was 57.

Although only of medium height, the tailor-turned-politician was thick-set and very strong. He had a large head, black hair and deep-set, piercing eyes. His features rarely relaxed into a smile, but Charles Dickens said he was "remarkable" and had "a character of mark."

After three stormy years as President, Johnson was still as self-assured and surefooted as ever. Always neatly dressed, he looked every inch a gentleman, in spite of his lowly birth.

But now his whole reputation was at stake on a dull day

which seemed to reflect the country's mood. The morning sun fought its way through the clouds as the people of Washington gathered in groups to discuss and even bet on the outcome of the trial. Before 11 a.m., a steady stream of ticket-holders began to make for the Capitol gates.

The authorities were afraid of a wild demonstration of joy if the President was acquitted. There was soon a brisk demand for admission tickets, at high prices.

Men in tall silk hats were accompanied by women fluttering crystal and gold-bedecked fans. Normally the feminine interest was in the bonnets of other women in the gallery, but now it was different. The women leant forward to take in everything happening below.

Chief Justice Chase took his seat at 11.30. Only one Senator's seat was empty—Mr. Grimes of Iowa had been very ill. His absence might be critical for the President.

Motions were proposed and passed that the eleventh article be placed first and a vote taken at once. It was then 12.30 p.m., and there were anxious looks on the faces of many Democrats.

One Senator asked for 30 minutes' wait for Mr. Grimes. But he need not have worried. The Senator from Iowa appeared through a door at the right of the Chief Justice. There were traces of physical pain on his face.

Grimes was not the only sick man present. Senator Howard of Michigan had been taken to the Capitol on a stretcher. Feeble

though he was, he had resolved to record his vote for a conviction.

At last the Chamber was silent. The Secretary called the roll and the Chief Justice rose to his feet.

"Mr. Senator Anthony, how say you, is the respondent Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, guilty or not guilty of a high misdemeanour, as charged in this article?"

FLUSHED FACE

The gentlemanly Rhode Island senator sprang to his feet, one hand in his trouser pocket and the other holding a pen. His face was flushed. To the amazement of the gallery and most of the Senators, Anthony bowed his head in a courteous bow to the Chief Justice and answered curtly, "Guilty."

But there were relieved sighs when the two Democrats who followed voted for the President. Then came a succession of eight votes for "Guilty."

The two sick men rose painfully to their feet in spite of an invitation to remain seated. They cancelled out each other's vote. Howard laid aside his shawl and said "Guilty," whilst Grimes voted for the President.

Mr. Patterson, of Tennessee, shouted "Not guilty!" so loudly that the Chief Justice had to reprove him.

Mr. Rose, one of the representatives of Kansas, angered a brass band had been serenading him; and he stepped to the window and thanked the musicians, then drew back in again.

voted according to his own judgment—"Not guilty."

The last of the 54 senators to answer at about 1.30 p.m. was Mr. Willey of West Virginia. It was another vote for "Guilty." But the radicals had already been defeated. They recorded only 35 votes for a conviction, against the 19 for an acquittal.

A single vote prevented them gaining the necessary total of two-thirds for conviction, and the Chief Justice declared the President acquitted on the all-important eleventh article.

Immediately the result was known, hundreds of excited observers rushed from the Capitol to spread the news. They passed Thad Stevens being carried high above their heads by his negro boys. His face was contorted with rage and disappointment.

In the silence of the White House, Andrew Johnson received the news with complete self-control. There was no rancour in his mind, no exultation or desire for revenge. Whatever the Senate decided, he knew that the great body of Americans had regarded his trial as "the Great American Farce."

His faith in the people was justified. Thousands cheered the verdict in New York, Brooklyn and other big cities. In Hartford, Connecticut, 100 guns were fired to mark the defeat of the radicals. Below the White House balcony, crowds clamoured again and again for a sight of Andrew Johnson.

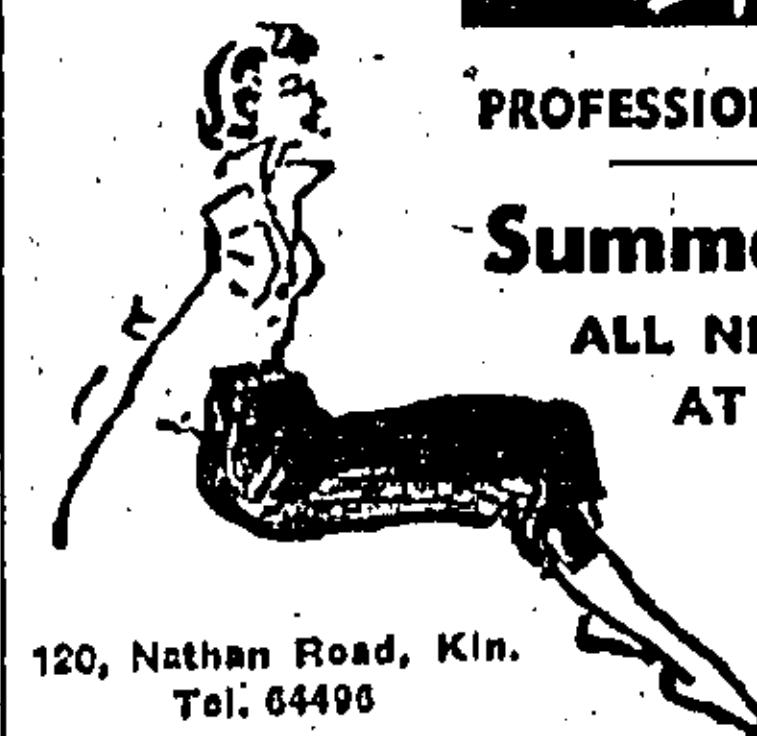
But the President did not appear until about 10.30 p.m. He had been serenading him; and he stepped to the window and thanked the musicians, then drew back in again.

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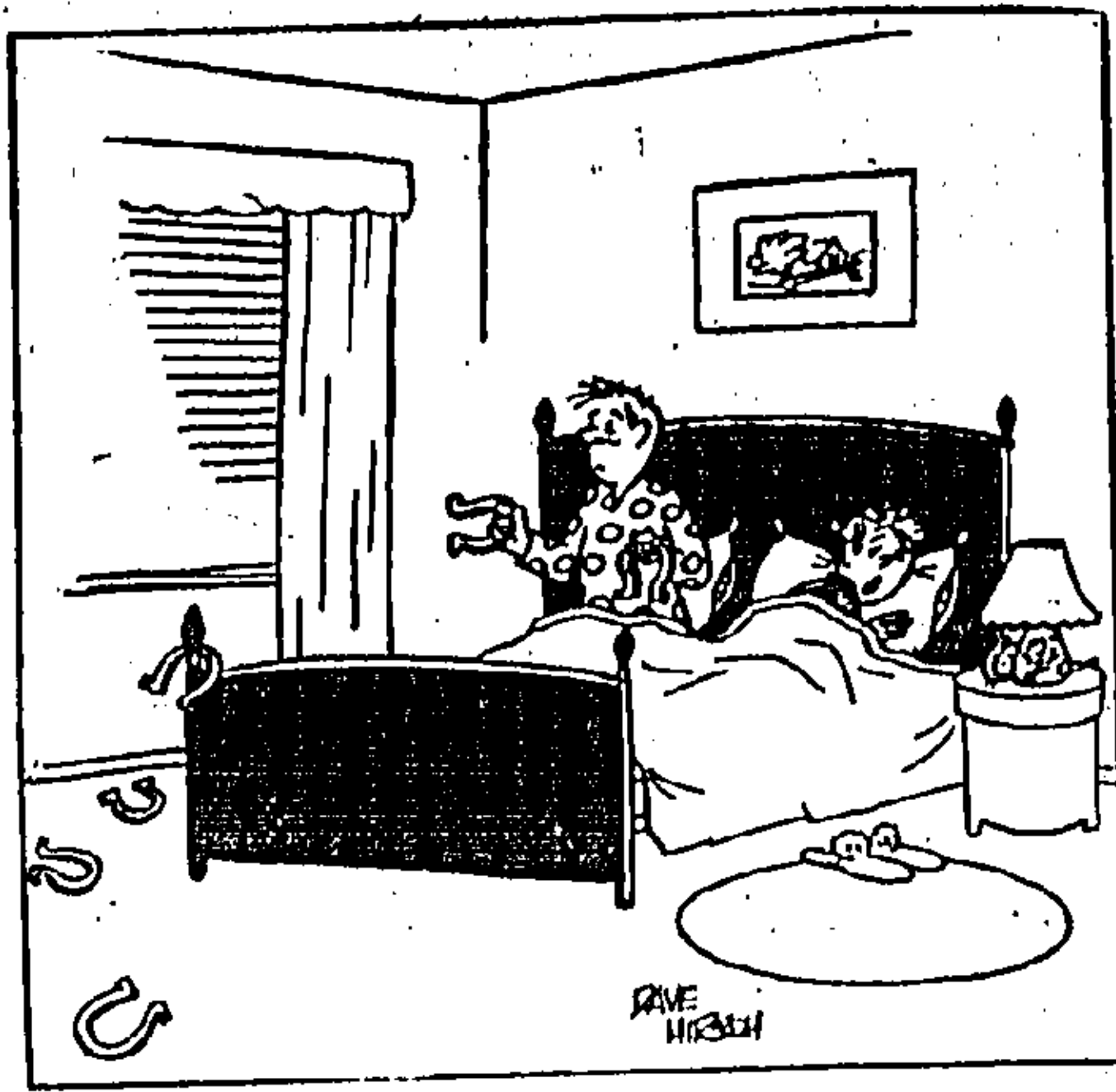
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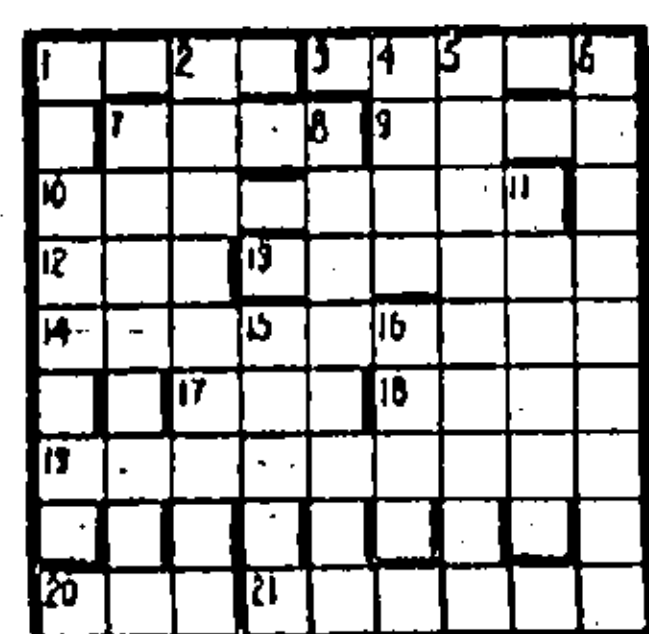
by Beachcomber

THE Exhibition of Boilers at the Tennant soot-hopper which works sideways. "Boiler efficiency," he said, "is all a question of combustion per cubic yard." As we left, I heard him give a concise order about thermal units. There, I said to myself, is a man to whom boilers really matter.

Inconclusive conversation

A MELANCHOLY voice said: "My paper says that even atomic power stations are costing more." "I can put you on to a man," I said, "who makes small ones for personal use at a reasonable cost." He glared at me for a moment, and then said: "Are you trying to be funny?" "Yes," said I, "but I am naturally sorry for you if you can't afford these things." "It may interest you to know," he said, "that I was speaking of atomic power stations in general, as part of the nation's economy." "It doesn't interest me at all," said I. "Kindly mind your own business."

CROSSWORD



- Across
- Put the car to one side. (4)
 - Weapon. (5)
 - That style. (4)
 - For fence. (4)
 - Seat for comfort. (6)
 - Fuller. (5)
 - They work at mealtimes. (5, 4)
 - Bill. (3)
 - Eastern language. (4)
 - Maurice. (10)
 - Request. (3)
 - Economies. (6)
- Down
- Doctors work. (8)
 - Stump. (4)
 - Frail. (4)
 - Enthusiasm. (6)
 - From. (4)
 - Close. (4)
 - More. (4)
 - Here. (4)
 - Incarnate. (6)
 - Shiny. (4)
 - Slack. (4)

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 16

BORN today, you have an eminently practical mind. You are disciplined to face facts. You may not accept things as they are, but you may make changes. At least you start from a firm basis and go on from there. Your intuitions are keen, but you place little stock in them; yet you would be wise to do just that. The combination, when properly used, is a difficult one to beat.

You have a deep mind and think clearly. You believe that the straightest line is, indeed, the shortest distance between two points, and you use this theory in both thought and action. You are not the type to beat around the bush in solving even a minor problem. Hence you appear to get things done in the shortest possible time. You have a good memory and a sharp sense of humor. Although a stern disciplinarian in your work, you are an entirely different person at home.

You enjoy the comforts and pleasures of your own family, and when with them your true affectionate nature is best expressed. It is likely that your own family group

will be the centre of your social activity, and you are not one to seek outside interests. You women are the type to have a business career in addition to managing a home and family of your own. You will not be content with one and not the other.

Since you have an inner strength that can fight against all kinds of opposition, you find it difficult to concede a lack of decisiveness in others. You have a strong ethical sense and are not one to forgive those who get out of line. To get along in this world, you must lead a fine line between the two extremes of the shortcomings and weaknesses of those not as strong as yourself.

Among those born on this date were: H. E. Bates, author; William H. Seward, Secretary of State under Lincoln; Philip Danforth Barlow, industrialist; and Lord Parsons, motor, financier and diplomat.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, MAY 17

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—A pleasant day when you can accomplish a lot. Shop in the morning; plan a social programme for afternoon and evening.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You should be able to have fun today. Some sports event in which you may be taking part can be thoroughly enjoyable.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—Finish up any important work early this morning. Don't begin a new project until next week. Go out on the town tonight.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—There is romance in the air. If you must have time for it, clear the date this morning so that you can relax later on.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—Postpone action on a new project until later on. For now, settle some job already begun. One thing at a time is best.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Take an active part in some affair in the community in which you are interested. Keep an eye out for romance, too.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—It is likely that you will have domestic matters that need attending to. Call the family in for consultation, if necessary.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Forget about work today. Make time for listening down to the radio and relax. Attend a pleasant social gathering.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—You could start some papers having to do with your future welfare and happiness. It's a romantic day. A wedding?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Wipe up some business matter which has been pending. Next week begins a new cycle.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you have shopping to do, spring cleaning, perhaps, for the house, it will be a good day for business.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—A fine success in work already completed. Postpone starting a new job until later. Get rested up

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Defence Naps On Key Play

BY OSWALD JACOBY

IT is nice to have a pleasant, easy-going temperament but that doesn't mean that you should relax and quietly go to sleep when defending.

West really had no interest in his hand but did manage to lead the eight of hearts just in case his partner had something in that suit. East played the deuce and South won with the ten.

The queen of spades finesse lost to East's king and when East led the king of clubs West woke up long enough to signal enthusiastically with the nine.

NORTH (D) 25		EAST 25	
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♥ 25	♥ 775432	♥ 25	♥ 775432
♦ 9754	♦ Q10	♦ 9754	♦ Q10
♣ A9732	♣ KQ	♣ A9732	♣ KQ
SOUTH		SOUTH	
♠ 10984		♠ 10984	
♥ A Q 10		♥ A Q 10	
♦ J 3		♦ J 3	
♣ 3 5		♣ 3 5	
No one vulnerable		No one vulnerable	
North	East	South	West
10	Pass	1	Pass
2	Pass	4	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ 8			

East continued with the queen and West completed his signal but East had no other club to lead.

East led back a heart in the vain hope that his partner's opening lead had been a singleton but school was out. It still required careful play for South to bring home his contract but he was equal to it. Actually there were several lines of play that would succeed and I leave them to you to work out.

West really had no excuse for not putting the ace of clubs on his partner's queen in order to let his partner trump the third round of the suit. Either East or South held the jack of clubs. If East held it West's play made no difference. Since South held it West had chucked the game right out the window.

• CARD SENSE •

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 ♠ 1 ♥ 2 ♠ 3 ♥ 4 ♠ 5 ♥ 6 ♠ 7 ♥ 8 ♠ 9 ♥ 10 ♠ 11 ♥ 12 ♠ 13 ♥ 14 ♠ 15 ♥ 16 ♠ 17 ♥ 18 ♠ 19 ♥ 20 ♠ 21 ♥ 22 ♠ 23 ♥ 24 ♠ 25 ♥ 26 ♠ 27 ♥ 28 ♠ 29 ♥ 30 ♠ 31 ♥ 32 ♠ 33 ♥ 34 ♠ 35 ♥ 36 ♠ 37 ♥ 38 ♠ 39 ♥ 40 ♠ 41 ♥ 42 ♠ 43 ♥ 44 ♠ 45 ♥ 46 ♠ 47 ♥ 48 ♠ 49 ♥ 50 ♠ 51 ♥ 52 ♠ 53 ♥ 54 ♠ 55 ♥ 56 ♠ 57 ♥ 58 ♠ 59 ♥ 60 ♠ 61 ♥ 62 ♠ 63 ♥ 64 ♠ 65 ♥ 66 ♠ 67 ♥ 68 ♠ 69 ♥ 70 ♠ 71 ♥ 72 ♠ 73 ♥ 74 ♠ 75 ♥ 76 ♠ 77 ♥ 78 ♠ 79 ♥ 80 ♠ 81 ♥ 82 ♠ 83 ♥ 84 ♠ 85 ♥ 86 ♠ 87 ♥ 88 ♠ 89 ♥ 90 ♠ 91 ♥ 92 ♠ 93 ♥ 94 ♠ 95 ♥ 96 ♠ 97 ♥ 98 ♠ 99 ♥ 100 ♠ 101 ♥ 102 ♠ 103 ♥ 104 ♠ 105 ♥ 106 ♠ 107 ♥ 108 ♠ 109 ♥ 110 ♠ 111 ♥ 112 ♠ 113 ♥ 114 ♠ 115 ♥ 116 ♠ 117 ♥ 118 ♠ 119 ♥ 120 ♠ 121 ♥ 122 ♠ 123 ♥ 124 ♠ 125 ♥ 126 ♠ 127 ♥ 128 ♠ 129 ♥ 130 ♠ 131 ♥ 132 ♠ 133 ♥ 134 ♠ 135 ♥ 136 ♠ 137 ♥ 138 ♠ 139 ♥ 140 ♠ 141 ♥ 142 ♠ 143 ♥ 144 ♠ 145 ♥ 146 ♠ 147 ♥ 148 ♠ 149 ♥ 150 ♠ 151 ♥ 152 ♠ 153 ♥ 154 ♠ 155 ♥ 156 ♠ 157 ♥ 158 ♠ 159 ♥ 160 ♠ 161 ♥ 162 ♠ 163 ♥ 164 ♠ 165 ♥ 166 ♠ 167 ♥ 168 ♠ 169 ♥ 170 ♠ 171 ♥ 172 ♠ 173 ♥ 174 ♠ 175 ♥ 176 ♠ 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NEW ZEALANDERS' DRAMATIC WIN

Blair And MacGibbon Pave The Way Clear For Tourists' Victory

Cambridge, May 15.

The pace bowling of Bob Blair and Tony MacGibbon blasted the New Zealand cricket tourists to a dramatic two-day win over Cambridge University here today.

Tumbling the University to an all out second innings total of 46 — the lowest score ever made by an English team against a New Zealand touring side — Blair and MacGibbon left the way clear for the tourists' victory by ten wickets.

MacGibbon six feet four-inch Civil Engineer from Canterbury snatched four of the first five wickets to fall to finish with four for 23. Then Blair 26-year-old computer from Wellington took over as the destroyer-in-chief and mopped up the last five batsmen. His final analysis was six for 10.

The match-winning bowling of the two pacemen came after the tourists had failed by 14 runs this morning to reach the Cambridge first innings score of 260. Despite a fighting 97 by their captain John Reid the New Zealanders snatched from their overnight 58 for two to an all-out 102.

Aggressive Methods

Reid's 97—made under the handicap of a bandaged finger damaged against Surrey week—was scored on the ground where he hit an unbeaten 188 when New Zealand were last in England nine years ago. Reid whose runs included 16 fours and were made out of 102 in a little under two and a half hours. He showed his younger colleagues the value of aggressive methods against good bowling. Only a brilliant catch by MacLachlan at deep mid-on deprived him of a century.

The University's top bowlers were off-spirited Hurd (four for 33) and pacerman Wheatley (four for 67).

Bert Sutcliffe going in first with John D'Arcy led New Zealand's dash to their victory. Target of 61 runs which they reached in 33 minutes. In excellent form he hit a career 46—including nine fours—while D'Arcy could manage only seven. Today's victory was the third of the New Zealanders' tour.

Earlier Play

An innings of 97 by the New Zealand captain John Reid failed to prevent Cambridge University from taking a first innings lead on the second day of the cricket match here today.

Despite Reid's knock, the New Zealanders lost their remaining eight wickets today for 133 runs and were all out for 102—14 runs behind the University's score of 260.

But the tourists immediately compensated for their batting failure when the University went in again. They swiftly swept aside half the University batsmen and at tea Cambridge were in trouble with their score at 31 for five. The hostile bowling of the tall MacGibbon did the damage. When the fifth wicket fell with the score at 29 he had taken four for only 12 runs.

Earlier, the New Zealand skipper had seemed certain to reach his century but when just three runs short of his goal he was magnificently caught by MacLachlan at deep mid-on.

His five innings—steered out of 102 in a little under two and a half hours—included 16 fours.

The other New Zealand batsmen gave a sorry display against a keen pace spin attack. Three scored ducks and the latter batsmen only the patient Alabaster ever looked at all comfortable. He stayed to be last man out for 23.

Off spinner Hurd and pacerman Wheatley were the university's leading bowlers. Hurd took four for 33 and Wheatley four for 67.

Their tea interval score gave Cambridge an overall lead of 45.

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The Cambridge collapse was completed after tea; the last five wickets fell for the addition of only 15 runs, and Cambridge were all out for 46.

Bob Blair took over MacGibbon's role as the main destroyer. He snatched all five wickets to fall after the interval in 38 blistering deliveries and for a mere six runs.

Blair's full analysis was 15-2-9-10-6, and MacGibbon's read 17-7-23-4.

Left to score 61 for victory, the New Zealanders collected the runs in 33 minutes to win by ten wickets and with a day to spare. Bert Sutcliffe hit a career 46, completely eclipsing his partner, John D'Arcy, who scored seven. Sutcliffe, who was particularly severe on Dexter, included nine fours in his knock.

The Scoreboard

Cambridge University First Innings 260 (R. M. James 74; H. Cave 59).

New Zealand First Innings (Overnight 59-2)

N. S. Hurd, c Dexter, b Wheatley	10
J. R. Reid, c MacLachlan, b Hurd	97
W. R. Playle, c Dexter, b Hurd	37
J. C. Alabaster, lbw b E. C. Peirce, c Dexter, b Wheatley	23
A. M. Blair, b Peirce	0
A. M. Blair, b Peirce	0
W. H. Blair, b Hurd	3
H. B. Cave not out	0
Extras (B 2 lb 1 Nb 1)	4
Total	192

Fall of Wickets: 3-70, 4-137, 5-144, 6-179, 7-180, 8-180, 9-193.

BOWLING

O	M	R	W
Wheatley	23	0	07
Dexter	5	1	14
Peirce	13	3	40
Hurd	17.3	7	33
James	10	1	34

Cambridge University Second Innings

J. M. MacLachlan, c Peirce, b MacGibbon	0
H. C. Bloufield, lbw b MacGibbon	8
D. J. Green, lbw b Blair	4
E. R. Dexter, b MacGibbon	4
H. M. Peirce, not out	4
R. M. James, lbw b MacGibbon	4
C. D. White, not out	4
P. J. Peirce, b Blair	5
C. B. Howland, b Blair	2
O. S. Wheatley, c Cave, b Blair	0
A. Hurd, not out	4
Extras	4
Total	46

NEW ZEALANDERS Second Innings

B. Sutcliffe, not out	46
J. W. D'Arcy, not out	7
Extras	0

Bowling:

O	M	R	W
Wheatley	5	3	8
Dexter	5	0	45

Fall of Wickets:	1-13, 2-18, 3-21, 4-22, 5-20, 6-35, 7-36, 8-41, 9-41
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Bowling:

O	M	R	W
Blair	15.2	9	19
MacGibbon	17	7	23
Cave	4	3	2

County Matches

London, May 15.

Trevor Bailey, 34-year-old Essex star, is busy justifying his label as England's outstanding all-rounder. Following his 71 against the New Zealanders on Tuesday he took 90 off the Somerset bowlers at Ilford today to follow his five for 48 yesterday.

Helping Essex to a lead of 154 Bailey batted two hours 55

minutes and hit 11 fours. He had several useful partners notably William Green, the leg spinner who joined him in an eighth wicket stand worth 52.

By the close Somerset had halved the Essex lead for the loss of two wickets. A magnificent unbeaten 131 by their new skipper Willie Watson the former Yorkshire batsman failed to save Leicestershire from following on against Sussex at Hove.

Watson batted for four and three quarters hours. He reached his 50 out of 68 in 100 minutes and his maiden century for his new County out of 161 in three hours 50 minutes. His total 131 was made out of 217. When Leicestershire followed on Watson was there again—this time to open the innings with John Van Geloven. At the close they had scored five between them.

Twenty-three wickets tumbled at Oxford. The University claimed Leicestershire for 92—the County's lowest ever score against a University—and when bad light stopped play Oxford were 88 for six in their bid to score the 147 runs needed for victory.

Closing Scores

Close of play scores in today's cricket matches were:

At Ilford—Somerset 183 and 77 for two (L. Pickles 42). Essex 342 (G. Barker 75, T. Bailey 90).

At Harrogate—Warwickshire 65 for two, vs Yorkshire, start delayed by rain.

At Hove—Sussex 390 (J. Parks 104). Leicestershire 217 (W. Watson 131 not out and five for no wicket).

At Gloucester—Gloucestershire 260 and 52 for no wicket. Worcestershire 231 (P. Richardson 41, D. Richardson 44, G. Dews 33, C. Cook five for 69).

At Oxford—Lancashire 130 and 82 (J. Bailey seven for 23). Oxford University 60 (J. Hillton four for nine) and 88 for six. Rain curtailed play.

At Derby—Gloucestershire 289 for eight declared and 149 for eight (P. Walker 42 not out). Derbyshire 135 (D. Carr 51, A. Watkins five for 10).

At Nottingham—Hampshire 150 and 180 for four (H. Horton 43 not out). Nottinghamshire 241 (G. Millman 51, C. Coomes 45, D. White five for 52).—Reuter.

India's Hockey Team Better Than Pakistan

Calcutta, May 15.

The second and final batch of India's contingent for the Asian Games, comprising hockey, football, volleyball and boxing, left here tonight for Tokyo.

Before the athletes left, their leader, Aswami Kumar, President of the Indian Hockey Federation, said that India's hockey team was far better than that of Pakistan, challengers to India's world hockey supremacy. —France-Press.

British-Italian Agreement

Modena, May 15.

A "Maserati Ensign" racing stable was officially created today by an agreement between the Italian racing firm and the British B.P. Petroleum Company.

Under the agreement, the B.P. Company has bought several Maserati formula one and sports cars which will be raced mainly by British drivers. —France-Press.

Footballer Of The Year



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CONGRATULATIONS: From the Hon. Kwok Chan, President of ASF and OC of Hongkong. Mr D. Benson who presented the trophy yesterday is in the background.

FIRST MAN TO WIN FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR TITLE TWICE

For the second year in succession, the China Mail "Footballer of the Year" trophy went to South China's popular inside-left, Yiu Cheuk-yin.

Yesterday evening, in the South China Morning Post Staff Club, Mr D. Benson, Chairman of the Board of Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club and a Director of the South China Morning Post Ltd, made the presentation before a distinguished gathering.

In his address Mr Benson said that this was the third time a South China player had dominated the poll, during the four years in which the competition has been held. Army goalkeeper Mike Granger won it the first year. Mr Benson attributed Yiu's success to South China's "wonderful training facilities," and to the way in which the Association encourages the younger set.

Mr Benson said, "Yiu has won practically every honour there is to be won on a football field, but he looks back with pride to the day he was selected to represent the Combined Chinese against the Swedish Club Djugardens in 1949."

"To another outstanding season," Mr Benson continued, "Yiu has played a great part in South China's fine achievement of winning the Senior Shield and League championship for the second year in succession. He has been an automatic choice for all premier representative games but withdrew from the Colony team that played in Macao and Singapore."

"His play has matured noticeably in the past year or two and he is now a better team man than at any time in his career."

Among those who attended the presentation were:

Mr Jack Skinner (Far Eastern representative of the Executive Committee of FIFA and former Chairman of the HKFA), Mr N. Craig (Acting Editor of the China Mail), Mr Robin Hutchison (Editor of the China Mail), Mr S. P. Plumbly (Secretary, S. C. M. Post Ltd), Mr S. A. Gray (Editor of the South China Morning Post), the Hon Kwok Chan (President of ASF & OC) and Mrs Kwok Chan, Mr N. C. Chan (President of HKFA), Mr C. S. Wang (Chairman of HKFA), Mr W. A. Whiting (Managing Director, Rediffusion), Mr J. S. Lee (Chairman of SCAA), Mr Yung Ping (Chairman of S. C. M. P. Sports Association), Mr Raleigh S. M. Leung (Chairman HKAAA), Mr Mok Hing (CAAF), Mr A. J. Hussain (HKFA), Major Hacon and Capt. Alger (Army), F/Lt Shelley (RAF), Messrs Benjamin Lee and Leo Wan-long (SCAA), Messrs Jack Hoon, J. R. Luko and Tong Sheung (1955 Footballer of the Year) and many others.

Frankie Worrell To Captain West Indies Team?

Georgetown, May 15.

Knotty points regarding West Indies' West Indian cricket team's tour of India are still being negotiated. West Indies Cricket Control Board Secretary, Clarence Edgill, said today.

He said counter financial terms and other conditions had already been submitted to the Indian Board and that approval, rejection or a compromise were eagerly awaited.

Edgill confirmed that whether or not Frankie Worrell would captain the West Indies team was still not finally settled. —France-Press.

3-Nation AA Meet Today At Pokfulam

Singapore and North Borneo athletes will take part in today's Open Athletic Meeting organised by the HKAAA, which commences at 5.45 p.m. at Pokfulam.

Highlight of the small programme is expected to be the clash between two of Asia's leading sprinters, Stephen Xavier of Hongkong and Kesavan Soon, the Singapore champion.

Many of the visiting athletes are nursing injuries and it is not known how many of them will definitely participate.

Yorkshire Cyclist Second In S.E. France Tour

Marseilles, May 15.

Yorkshire rider, Brian Robinson, today came second in the second lap of the Southeast France cycle tour. He covered the 135 miles distance from Digne to Marseilles in 5 hours, 54 minutes, 10 seconds—the same time as the lap winner, France's Pierre Polo.

Third was France's Bergaud who moved into top place in the general classification. Robinson was placed second in the general classification with Polo third. —France-Press.

SWIMMING

Tokyo, May 15.

The Japanese Swimming Federation announced today that 103 swimmers from 12 nations would take part in the Asian Games. —France-Press.

US LEAGUE BASEBALL

Bonus Pitcher Leads Giants To 4-2 Win

New York, May 15.

Mike McCormick, 19-year-old bonus pitcher, equalled his total victories for two previous seasons in the majors today when he went 8-2/3 innings in the San Francisco Giants' 4-2 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. McCormick, who won only three games during the 1956 and 1957 seasons, now has won three straight without a loss this season. The defeat snapped the Cardinals' seven-game winning streak.

Willie Mays bashed his ninth homer and Jim Kling his first for the Giants, who dealt Lindy McDaniel his third setback. McCormick needed help in the ninth and Jim Constable came in to strike out Don Blasingame for the game's final out. Stan Musial went hitless in four tries.

WP—McCormick (3-0). LP—McDaniel (2-3). 11th—Mays (9th), Kling (1st). King (1st).

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Labine, Hootch (11) and Roseboro: Brett Freeman (9), Moyer (11), Elston (11) and S. Taylor. Musial went hitless in four tries.

WP—Labine (1-1). LP—Freeman (0-1). —United Press.

The Cincinnati Redlegs snapped the Pittsburgh Pirates' six-game winning streak, 4-2, and the Los Angeles Dodgers broke their own six-game losing streak when they beat the Chicago Cubs, 4-2, in other National League day games.

George Crowe drove in five runs with a homer and two singles to lead a 14-hit Cincinnati attack that handed Bob Friend his second defeat. Johnny Klippstein, who yielded one unearned run in the middle 3-2/3 innings, received credit for his first victory. Gus Bell also had three hits for the Redlegs, who had lost five in a row.

The Dodgers pushed over two 11th inning runs although they hit only one ball out of the line to gain the decision after the Cubs tied the score in the ninth on Jim Bolger's single, a sacrifice and another single by Ernie Banks. —United Press.

The Preparatory Committee of the Hongkong Chinese Country and Yacht Club met last night at the Chinese Bankers' Club and discussed with other prominent Chinese businessmen the planning and details of the future social organization.

Formed some two years ago in May, 1956, the Preparatory Committee had been meeting from time to time to establish a club but found that the greatest difficulty was finding a suitable site. One of the members told the present location at the foot of a hill in Aberdeen was an ideal locality for such a club as the headland is surrounded by water on both sides.

The Preparatory Committee was formed two years ago comprised Dr. S. N. Chau, Messrs William S. T. Louie, S. W. Lee, Percy Chen, Henry Tseng and Dr. T. P. Wu. Those who attended the first meeting of the kind where ideas and thoughts were aired regarding the future club were Mr Alfred Y. Hon, Mr Y. H. Chan, Mr Mok Ying-ki, Mr Andrew Yu and others.

Stabinsky Wins Round Spain Cycling Tour

Madrid, May 15.

Jean Stabinsky, of the French National team, was today proclaimed overall winner of the Round Spain Cycling Tour.

The 16th and final stage, over 231 kilometres from Palencia to Madrid, was won by Rick Layton, of the Belgian National Team.

Pierino Bem, Italian National Team, was second and Gilbert De Smet, Belgian National Team, third.

The times were not immediately available. —Reuter.

Kuala Lumpur A Future Games Venue?

Kuala Lumpur, May 15.

Colonel Sir Henry Hsu-Shik Lee, President of the Malaysian Olympic Council, said today Malaysian Olympic officials in Tokyo for the Asian Games would examine the possibilities of using Kuala Lumpur as a future games venue.

Sir Henry, speaking in a radio broadcast, said the examination would take into account the question of accommodation facilities, and the finance involved. —Reuter.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Haddie, Kilpatrick (4), Jeffcoat (5) and Burrows, Baily (5), Friend, Frace (9) and Soltes Kravitz (9).

WP—Kilpatrick (1-0). LP—Friend (3rd). HHS—Thomas (10th), Crowe (3rd).

San Francisco ... 100-000-000-0-0
St. Louis ... 100-110-000 2-11-0

McCormick, Constable (9), McDaniel, Mabe (6), Paine (6) and J. Smith.

Dexter Withdraws From MCC Side

London, May 16.

E. R. Dexter, the Cambridge University cricket captain, has withdrawn from the M.C.C. side to play the New Zealand tourists in the match beginning at Lord's here tomorrow because of studies.

Dexter, who is the leading scorer in the English first-class cricket at the moment, will be replaced by G. Smith, the Sussex opening batsman. —China Mail Special.

HKPSA Lawn Bowls Team

The following have been selected to represent HKPSA in a Second Division lawn bowls game against the Fujian Club at the Police Club in Boundary Street, on Saturday at 4 p.m.

B. J. Stevens, J. Martin, T. P. Ross and S. H. Goodman (skip), J. R. Wall, N. Reynolds, G. F. Wall, and R. McKenzie (skip). A. F. Ross, R. F. Smith, W. M. Gille and J. Duffy (skip).

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Philippines, 3 p.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
U.S.A. & Canada, 6 p.m.
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By Air:
Philippines, 3 p.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
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Macao, 9 p.m.

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By Surface:
China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 21
By Surface:
China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.
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Macao, 1 p.m.
Philippines, 1 p.m.
Japan, Hawaii, U.S.A., C. & S. America, 3 p.m.
Macao, 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 22
By Surface:
China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.
Malaya, Aden, Egypt, Great Britain, Europe, 11 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
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IT'S NOW TOLL-TELEVISION

SUPPORTERS of subscription television in the United States, convinced that the public is weary of commercially supported programmes, expect their multi-million dollar investments to start paying off by this autumn and form the basis of a new 2,000 million-dollar a year industry which will eventually spread round the world.

The new system, which is also called toll or pay-television, is intended to supplement rather than replace the commercially supported "free" programmes usual in the United States. It will offer features and special attractions normally not produced on commercial television and the public will pay a fee for watching the programme.

Each subscriber will have a special electronic box attached to his television set. By either depositing coins or inserting special cards in this box, he will be able to "unscramble" the programme which he wishes to see.

Supporters of the system say that they are confident that Americans will be abandoning their most popular free television shows for pay-television's full length operas, films, sports events, and drama productions when these go into full swing.

The new industry will be using both the air-waves and closed-circuit (underground wiring) systems. The closed circuit system is already widely used for industrial purposes, such as railway controls.

observation of operations in radio-active areas of atomic energy installations, instantaneous signature identification for banks and steel mill furnace viewing from a remote area.

Only recently one of the world's most exclusive television audiences watched the launching of the first United States earth satellite at Cape Canaveral, Florida, on this system.

Looking into the future, Mr. Paul White, former general manager of Scripps Film Corporation in Europe, and one of the new industry's advocates, stated recently that Europe, Asia and South America would gain once pay-television was introduced, and once it is accepted.

But before this happens, they have several important battles to win. These include Congressional approval of the idea and fully winning over a reluctant public. To do this, they have invested undisclosed millions of dollars into testing and writing procedures, advertising, public relations and lobbying in Washington.

The most common argument against toll-television, according to Mr. Matthew Fox, president of Skiatron Television Incorporated and Skiatron International, is "why should I pay for something when I can see it for nothing on commercial television?"

THE POOR MAN'S VEHICLE TO HIGH-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT CULTURAL EVENTS

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The same idea, he said, applied in this and other fields to other countries in Asia, Europe and South America. The entertainment field, he said, is "wide open" because there is no limit to the type of international programmes which can be presented without having to overcome the language barrier.

Plans are afoot in the United States to start full trial runs for pay television in at least 20 cities. Selectivision Incorporated announced plans to wire 100,000 homes in New York City to "pipe in" films from local cinema.

Through the invention of a box-like attachment, two inches high, three inches wide, called the "Selectivision", home viewers will be able to watch simultaneous performances on their television sets of the films shown on the screen of their local cinema.

The cinema will sell the "tickets", which look like ordinary business cards, to be slipped into the box. The home viewer has also approximately five minutes to decide whether he wants to watch.

Mr. Sol Huron, the internationally known impresario, who is responsible for Skiatron's programmes, told a recent press conference that under the new arrangement such attractions as the Royal Ballet, the Old Vic, the Moscow Ballet and others could be brought to the United States for showing in millions of homes—China Mail Special.

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From the Files 25 years AGO

THE Shanghai Race Club members stand and guest stand next week will be in the hands of a remarkable crew, preparatory to the building of a fine new stand. The present grandstand and clubhouse has served the members for many years. It has been added to, improved and patched up on many occasions, but at last the time has come for its rebuilding. The new building will comprise a very large block some 300 by 115 feet, occupying roughly the square on which the present clubhouse and also the guests' stand are now built.

Continuing to hold an almost unique position, Hongkong is again fortunate in having a balanced budget and something to spare. The revenue for the past year amounted to \$23,549,716 and the expenditure was \$22,050,283. Revenue therefore exceeded expenditure by \$1,499,433.

A SHANGHAI paper recalls that during the Japanese bombardment in Shanghai last year, a section of the St John Ambulance Brigade went from Hongkong to Shanghai to aid the wounded. In recognition of the service they rendered on that occasion, several Chinese associations have sent a variety of silver gifts to the British volunteers, the paper reports, in particular a magnificent censer which is now on view in the Ambulance Museum in London.

The many friends of Mr. R. M. Omar will be glad to learn that his operation for appendicitis yesterday (May 11) proved successful and that he is progressing favourably.

SEVERAL roads branching inwards to Prince Edward Road have now been named. The roads, including the following—Lung Kong Road, Nam Kok Road, Nga Tsin Long Road, Hui Wong Road, Lian Kok Road, Fuk Lo Tsun Road, Junceler Road, Carpenter Road and Southgate Road. Two roads in the Charter Bungalow estate have been named Hillwood Road and Pine Tree Hill Road.

Found: A basket containing eatables and some parcels, wrongly placed into car No. 3551. Will owner communicate with advertiser, P. O. Box....

THE control of message establishments is recommended in a report which the Police Department is understood to have forwarded to the Government last month in relation to social evils in the Colony. Control has seemed desirable in view of the objectionable features which led to the forcible closure of many of these establishments within recent months. Like the cabarets, many massage shops have acquired a mushroom growth and are said to have given the Police endless worry as it is known that a grave social evil exists in a number of cases.

Nearly 200 guests and members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Force assembled at the Volunteer Headquarters last night (May 12) for the annual presentation of prizes, immediately after the dinner, the presentation was made by Brigadier R. B. Cousens.

IF the plans of Eurnain Aviation Corporation are carried into effect, Hongkong will soon be brought within eight days' travel of London. The proposal is that with HK as the South China terminus, the planes of the company should fly to Canton, Hankow where connection would be made with the Yangtze air mail service from Shanghai, through Kiangsu and Sinking to Chungking. The route of the Russian air mail would be followed from this point, and considerable saving in time would be made by night flying between Moscow and Berlin.

Mr. George H. Potts will lay foundation stone of the new Stock Exchange Building, Lee House Street, on Wednesday, May 17, at 3 p.m.

THE Garden Theatre which has been a familiar landmark in Wanhsai for the past years, will be seen no more in about a couple of days. Workmen were busy yesterday (May 15) pulling down the structure.

No fewer than 67 entries have been received for the Open Singles Lawn Tennis Championship of the Colony, 17 more than last year's total.

Floggings With Mediaeval Trappings Cause Storm

Melbourne, May 15. The State of Victoria, Australia, has reverted to flogging—with the mediaeval trappings of a masked man and a triangle—to punish two criminals.

The action, defended by the State's Government, has caused a storm of criticism in public and in Melbourne newspapers. The influential morning newspaper, the Age, called it "a reversion to barbarism."

The Labour Opposition leader, Mr. John Galloway, a prominent lawyer, said in Victoria's Legislative Council: "Presumably the Government takes the view that if flogging does not deter, we are going to go further and use the rack and thumbscrew."

"This is the logical extension of a policy made by the Attorney-General."

The flogged criminals are William John O'Malley, serving a life sentence for having murdered a policeman, and John Henry Taylor, who is serving a long-term sentence for a series of crimes, including robbery with violence.

The whippings were ordered last October by Mr. Justice Hudson after a word had been said in the law, a bid by O'Malley and Taylor to escape from Pentridge Gaol, Melbourne.

PLANNED TO KIDNAP NIXON
Caracas, May 15. The police today announced that a group of persons known to be sympathisers of ousted dictator Marcos Parox Jimenez had planned to kidnap US Vice-President Richard Nixon during his two-day stay there.

The ring-leader of the plot—which was aimed at embarrassing the present ruling junta—was identified as Diogenes Antonio Caballero Martinez. He and two other men and a girl are under arrest, the police said.

There was no immediate indication what, if any, responsibility Caballero had in stirring up the howling mob which attacked the caravan carrying Mr. Nixon and his wife shortly after their arrival here last Tuesday.

Caballero challenged the Junta shortly after Perez Jimenez' overthrow last January by setting himself up as a "little dictator" of a huge Government housing project.—United Press.

Both men unsuccessfully appealed against the ordering to the Victorian Supreme Court and the High Court of Australia.

The Opposition made a last-minute unsuccessful appeal to the Premier, Mr. H. E. Bolte, and the Attorney-General, Mr. A. G. Ryland, to postpone the whippings until Parliament had discussed the matter.

Mr. Ryland said it would be "criminal" for the Government to upset a sentence which had been confirmed by the High Court.

On the day Parliament met the floggings were carried out at Pentridge prison.

FEET BOUND
Newspapers reported that O'Malley and Taylor, arms bashed to iron triangles, their feet bound leather straps, protecting their necks and lower parts of their backs, were each given twelve lashes with a cat of nine tails, his thoughts soaked in water by a musketed man.

The prison doctor examined them after each stroke and they were later taken to the prison hospital, the newspapers added. The same day, the Labour Opposition attacked the Government and Mr. Bolte. A Labour motion was defeated.

The Opposition leader, Mr. A. E. Shepherd, said Opposition members were supported in their "human" view by the highest church dignitaries, the press of Victoria, other public figures and a large percentage of the public.

While Labour believed the country's judiciary was all-important, it also believed in the abolition of both capital and corporal punishment. If anything remained in the law to allow corporal punishment it should be abolished.

NO BLOOD DRAWN
The Government leader in the Council, Sir Arthur Warner, said the whippings had drawn no blood on either man. If there was a case for flogging, it was the case of O'Malley and Taylor. Both had a long list of convictions for crimes of violence.

All three Melbourne daily newspapers deplored the floggings and hoped the Government would alter the statute book. Most letters published supported this.

The Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, Dr. Frank Woods, formerly of Manchester, England, wrote to support your leading article entitled "Flogging, a reversion to barbarism." Your article not only reflects the dominant feeling of Christian public opinion, but suggests a line of action which, for one, very much hope the Government will feel able to take.—China Mail Special.

China Mail Entertainment Guide

WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "The Young Lions." Marlon Brando, Montgomery Clift and Dean Martin in a war drama.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "I Married A Woman." George Gobel and Diana Dors in a comedy.

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Seven Hills Of Rome." Mario Lanza in a musical.

LEE & ASTOR: "Windom's Way." Peter Finch and Mary Ure.

STAR & METROPOLE: "The Fuzzy Pink Nightgown." Jane Russell in a comedy.

QUEEN'S: "Springtime In Paris." A French musical.

ORIENTAL: "Bataan." Robert Taylor in a war picture.

MAJESTIC: "Our Sister Hedy." A Chinese picture.

CAPITOL & RITZ: "Gunfight At The O.K. Corral." Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas in a western.

RADIO Hongkong

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**NEW BALLPOINT
WITH EXCLUSIVE**

Hula Dancers Hit Hongkong

The Crown in the opium conspiracy case in the Victoria District Court this morning withdrew its application to treat a witness as hostile.

Television viewers will be able to see the ceremony of the presentation of the China Malt Cup by Mr D. Benson to Yiu Cheuk-yin of South China in "Sports Box" at 8.30 p.m. today.

There will also be a feature on the football training for the forthcoming Asian Games at Tokyo and a visit to Wembley Stadium to see the recent international in which England beat Portugal 2-1.

To Chi-wai, 27, stoker pleaded not guilty to two charges of attempting to murder two detectives before Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

He also pleaded not guilty to two alternative charges of causing grievous bodily harm to the two constables.

Mr Justice Scholes then adjourned the case for a date of the hearing to be fixed.

To is alleged to have attempted to murder DPC 1557, Au Lai and DPC 4300 Mak Cheuk-yuk when he allegedly drove the van in which the two constables were seated, off Pokfulam Road down a steep embankment into a valley between Tai Har Wan Bay and Telegraph Bay on February 5.

The alternative charges alleged that he had wounded the two constables with intent to cause grievous bodily harm, or to disable them or to resist his lawful apprehension.

The name of L. R. Nielson and Co., Ltd has been struck off the Company Register and the Company is considered dissolved, according to the Government Gazette today.

The Gazette also states that unless cause is shown within three months as from May 10, the name of Arthur Reif Hong-kong Ltd will be struck off the Company Register.

London, May 16.

It was in reply to a statement earlier this week by Mr Cyril Lord, British textile chief, which alleged that Hongkong textiles were cheaper than Lancashire's because of "sweetened labour" conditions. Today's letter, from Mr Lyndon H. Jones, of the Free Trade Union and Cobden Club, said power costs in Hongkong were 20 per cent more expensive for electric drive than in Britain.

The case against Cheung Yue-wing, 52, a licensed harbour pilot, on a charge of murder, was adjourned to the next Sessions by Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions upon an application by the Defence Counsel this morning.

Chung was represented by Mr Leslie Wright, and Mr Oswald Chung, both on the instruction of Mr D. Q. Chung, of Messrs F. Zimmern and Co.

Mr Wright told the Court this morning that the committal proceedings of this case had only been completed on April 28 and the Defence solicitors had only just received the notification of the proceedings from their instructing solicitor.

Mr Wright added that his instructing solicitor also wished to know the names of the witnesses and in the circumstances, he would apply to put the case over until the next Criminal Sessions.

Mr Allaire Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, said he had no objection.

Latest reports received by American President Lines in Hongkong reveal that, in addition to the two tugs despatched from the colony to the aid of the stranded APL cargo liner, President Hayes, an additional tug, the Prince Salvor is proceeding from Sandakan and may be in position tonight.

The 0.221-ton President Hayes is aground in the Parcel Islands, 400-miles south-southwest of Hongkong and south of the Orzelle Islands, in the Parcelas.

Also proceeding to the assistance of the President Hayes is the United States naval tug from Subic Bay, it will probably reach the Parcelas tomorrow morning.

Mr. T. C. Nicol, a special agent of the United States Association, London, has flown this morning from Hongkong to the President Hayes, in a Macao Air Transport seaplane.

Mr. McNilla, Mr. C. M. Deering, APL Superintendent of Engineering is being flown today to the APL cargo-liner, by US Navy seaplane.

An attempt to refloat the President Hayes will be made on Saturday morning.

The weather continues and the 12 passengers are reported to be "in good heart."

A 35-year-old woman sustained serious injuries when she was knocked down by a motor vehicle being towed by another vehicle in Victoria road, near the Gold and Silverman's Association swimming shed in Kennedy Town at 2.30 p.m. yesterday.

The woman, Chan King of 140 Des Voeux Road Central, is recovering in the Accident and Emergency Ward of the Queen Mary Hospital.

Earlier in the afternoon, a 63-year-old woman, Wong Yuk was knocked down and seriously injured by a private car in Broad Street near Shanghai Street. The woman, whose address is not known, has been admitted to Kwong Lok Hospital for treatment.

Compromise Bill On Tariffs Passed By House Committee

The proposal, which members said, had Administration endorsement was part of a comprehensive Democratic plan for granting the President's request for a five-year extension of presidential tariff-cutting powers.

The following appointments, postings, transfers and promotions in the various Government departments are notified in today's Government Gazette:

NT Administration
Mr P. V. Dodge, Cadet Officer, Class II, to be Acting Assistant District Commissioner, New Territories.

Speaker Sam Rayburn told newsmen he thought the compromise bill had a pretty good chance of winning House approval.

But concessions offered in the compromise measure fell so far short of protectionist demands that the bill's ultimate fate was in doubt.

Alme J. Forand, Democrat-Rhode Island, offered the proposal for congressional review of tariff decisions.

The measure's early lines.

The nine who voted against it included protectionist-minded members who felt it did not provide adequate protection and the backers of liberal trade who felt it went too far.

Another proposed compromise would lighten up on protectionists elsewhere in using his authority to restrict imports which threaten national security. The President could suspend a tariff on any one—on whether to use the authority.

—United Press.

The following premises are exempted from further application of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, according to today's Government Gazette:—

The ground, first and second floors of Nos. 125 and 127, Cheung Sha Wan Road.
The ground, first and second floors of Nos. 126 and 128, Tsim Nam Street.
The ground, first and second floors of No. 202, Lai Chi Kok Road; the ground, first and second floors of Nos. 204 and 206, Lai Chi Kok Road.



By A STAFF REPORTER

Hongkong "nightclubbers" were given an unexpected treat last night when a US Government-sponsored Hawaiian troupe gave them a tantalising glimpse of how the authentic hula — fast and furious Tahitian, wild Samoan and naughty Hawaiian — is danced.

The group of ten dark-dressed beauties and four native Hawaiian musicians call themselves the "Huilelohe" ("Many Wreaths of Bamboo") troupe. Led by a charming young Gen. Emerson, they are passing a nine-week tour of U.S. Armed Forces stations in Southeast Asia and the Far East.

Last night, persuaded by the Colony's impresario of night-club acts, Herb Fallon, they performed at a well-known hotspot and held the packed house spellbound with a scintillating exhibition of native singing and dancing.

Later in the evening, Gen. Emerson and his troupe

Chinese Affairs
Mr Paul K. C. Tsui, Cadet Officer, Class II, to be an Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Medical
Dr Cheah Sin-hooi and Dr
Louise Wong Cheung Sau-lan to
be Medical Officers.
Miss E. D. Gravenell and Miss

Superintendent of Surveys and
from May 10, during the absence
of Mr C. S. Barton.

Mr. Ujagar Singh, Senior Executive Officer, Class II, to be Acting Principal Accountant (Revenue) as from May 12, viz. Mr. Agabeg.

Mr. W. Todd, Superintendent, to be Acting Senior Superintendent as from April 2 during the absence of Mr. Moore.

A Chinese was arrested by the Police early this morning following the theft of a fountain pen from another man at a bookshop in Nathan Road near the

Pte Azalea Reynolds (Miss) of the HK Women's Auxiliary Army Corps has been promoted a Lieutenant as from April 28 according to today's Government Gazette.

The Gazette also states that Lieut. R. A. Dodd of the HKRNVR and F/O P. F. Whit of the HKAAF have been permitted to resign their commissions from their respective services in the Royal Hong Kong Defence Force.

Donn, according to today's Government Gazette. The appointment is to take effect from Ma-

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Just unpacked a selection of swimsuits in latest styles includes "MARCO" of U.S.A. and TRULO of England; Play shoes by "JOYCE" of U.S.A. and "DELAN" of Italy.

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